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## NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN EUROPE

### HITLER AND MUSSOLINI TO CONFER?

London, To-day.  
According to a report in the "Daily Herald," Herr Hitler is making plans to meet Signor Mussolini in Vienna shortly.

### Robber Slashes European Lady

Mrs. R. J. Holmes, of 194, Prince Edward Road, was slashed about the hand and wrist by one of a gang of armed robbers, who gained entry to her flat on the ground floor this morning.

The incident occurred at about 11 a.m. and three men were involved, seeking entry on the pretext of having a parcel to deliver.

Mrs. Holmes was out when the visit was paid and the gang forced their way past the amah, the only occupant, bound her hands behind her back and proceeded to ransack the flat.

On Mrs. Holmes' return, one of the gang opened the door and attempted to pull her inside. She tried to grasp the hand in which he was holding a dagger threateningly, and was slashed and cut.

#### PLUCKY CHASE

His companions fled, but Mrs. Holmes gave chase to the man who attacked her and after a Dairy Farm coolie had joined in, he was stopped and arrested by P.C. C177, who had to draw his revolver before the man surrendered.

The dagger which he had thrown away was found in a nul-

Paris, To-day.  
Curious reports are emanating from London following a further long discussion between M. Bonnet, the French Foreign Minister, and Lord Halifax last night.

General purport of the report is that a prospect of a settlement of Franco-Italian differences has developed and that Lord Perth, the British Ambassador, recommended Mr. Chamberlain to make a cautious statement to facilitate informal talks proceeding.

It is stated that France is ready to enter into official negotiations with Italy on the condition that the status of Italians in Tunis remains as under the Laval agreement of 1935.

There seems to be a feeling that the scheme for a Four-Power declaration may be discarded in view of Polish objections, and that King Victor Emmanuel's mild speech yesterday has encouraged a new approach to the European problem.

The view already expressed in part of the Paris press, that the project of an anti-German declaration has practically collapsed is also (says Trans-Ocean) admitted by the semi-official "Temps" which suggests that negotiations conducted on this question will lead to nothing beyond the strengthening of relations between France and Britain.

### STRANGE SLOVAK SITUATION

Paris, To-day.  
Unofficial reports from Prague allege that Germany has indicated that the situation arising from Hungarian invasion of Slovakia may compel German intervention.

Development of the situation has occasioned much surprise in view of the conclusion of the German-Slovak Treaty.

Germany has denied reports that Hungary acted at Germany's instigation, says Trans-Ocean.

ah and property from the house was found in his possession.

### LADY NORTHCOTE LEAVING

The "China Mail" understands that Lady Northcote is leaving for England next Saturday in the P. and O. s.s. Canton.

She will be accompanied by Mr. M. A. S. Northcote.

### COLONEL BECK SEEKING WAY OUT OF IMPASSE

Warsaw, To-day.

The Polish Foreign Office continued yesterday to be the scene of great diplomatic activities.

Colonel Beck had further talks with the French Ambassador, M. Noel, and with the Slovak Charge-d'Affaires, Dr. Klinowski.

The callers also included the diplomatic envoys of Estonia and Latvia.

The surrender of Memel to Germany is having a far-reaching effect on Poland.

The two leaders of the opposition conferred with the Premier, Skalski.

Considerable sensation has been created by the arrest of the editor of the paper "Slovo" for having attacked the Government's foreign policy. This action, it is stated, proves that the position of Colonel Beck is as strong as ever.—Trans-Ocean.

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# NAZIS PLAN TO WOO ALL LATIN AMERICA

## "Domination Of The United States Must Be Broken"

Berlin, March 10.

A plan for winning the South American States over to an alliance with Franco-Spain and Portugal and breaking down "the dominance of the United States of America in the Western Hemisphere," was put forward to the German Academy to-day by General Wilhelm Faupel, Hitler's Ambassador to General Franco in 1937.

"The Monroe Doctrine," he said, "is only a claim put forward by the U.S.A. for the domination of the Western Hemisphere. There is but one danger for South America — that is the United States."

"The Lima Conference was merely a large-scale attack on the totalitarian States in general and on Germany in particular. Pan-America, a clever invention of the U.S.A., must give way to an alliance of Ibero-America with Spain and Portugal, with which they have much more in common than with U.S.A."

### "FIGHT FOR FREEDOM"

"Franco's victory in Spain will renew the bonds between Europe and Latin America and help the latter in their fight for freedom from United States domination."

The General proposed that Germany should pour as many scientists, doctors, linguists and teachers as possible into South America to counteract the effect of United States propaganda and should begin an intensive campaign by radio, film and Press there.

The German Academy is also to invite large numbers of South American leaders to visit Germany.

## NEW PREMISES FOR S.P.C. IN WANCHAI

At the monthly meeting of the Executive Committee of the Hong Kong Society for the Protection of Children, it was announced that the Wanchai centre will shortly be able to move into more commodious premises, thus ensuring better facilities for the Society amongst the noor of that thickly populated district.

The Chairman, Sir Atholl McGregor, congratulated Mr. W. N. Thomas Tam on his appointment to the Legislative Council, and welcomed Dr. (Mrs.) Forbes who has joined the Committee during the absence on leave of Dr. (Mrs.) Hunter.

The Finance Report showed an excess of expenditure over income of \$1,070, but the Chairman announced that the proceeds of the recent street collection amounted to \$4,647.

The February Case Report revealed that over a period of thirteen months, 14% of the cases relieved were refugee children.

A letter received from the Director, Mr. G. P. de Martin, resign-

## AUSTRALIA TO BUILD PLANES FOR R.A.F. IN FAR EAST

London, To-day.

The Air Minister, Sir Kingsley Wood, announced in the Commons yesterday that the United Kingdom air mission which, by arrangement with the Australian Government, had been investigating the possibility of aircraft production in Australia, had now completed its report.

The main recommendations had been considered by the United Kingdom Government and the Commonwealth Government, and both Governments had decided to accept them generally and put them in operation forthwith.

Immediate action would be taken for manufacture in Australia of air frames to British design suitable for Australian requirements, and also for those of the R.A.F. in the Far East.

The report of the mission emphasized the extent to which engineering resources had been developed in recent years in Australia. Full advantage would accordingly be taken of these resources by a system of widespread subcontracting throughout the engineering industry.

This would accelerate production in peace time, and create capacity for expansion in an emergency.

This scheme, Sir Kingsley Wood declared, was an important contribution to Empire defence.—British Wireless.

ing in view of his approaching absence from the Colony, and it was decided that failing the appointment of a permanent Director, the post should fall into abeyance and its responsibilities devolve upon the Society's officers.



Captain and Mrs. A. J. N. Warrack who were married yesterday at St. John's Cathedral. (Bann's Studio).

## SWITZERLAND IS READY

Basle, March 17.

"It must be made known abroad that any state which attacks us and thus infringes upon our independence and territorial integrity will have to wage a war. Switzerland will never go first on a pilgrimage abroad."

This statement was made in a speech delivered here to-day by Councillor Obrecht, head of the Federal Council's economic department.—Havas.

## ILLUSIONIST SHOW TO-NIGHT

Mr. E. Glamail, magician and illusionist, is giving a performance at the Kowloon Cricket Club to-night at 9 p.m., to which members and friends are cordially invited, free of charge.

The programme includes:—Coin Manipulation;—Bowls of Kwang Hsi;—The Missing Token;—Eggstraordinary;—The Bramin's Cylinders;—the Mystic Slates;—La Fume;—The Crystal Water Mystery; card tricks;—Fettered and Freed;—The Billiard Balls;—A Strange Recovery;—The Nigard's Breakfast;—La Tissue.

The Annual General Meeting of the St. Andrew's Church Branch of the V. D. M. A. will be held in the Church Hall on Tuesday, commencing at 8.30 p.m. A talk will be given by the Rev. N. V. Halward on Missionary and Medical Work in Canton.

## NAZI SHOW OF FORCE IN THE BALTIC

Memel, To-day.

The arrival of important military, naval and air detachments is regarded here as a demonstration of German force in North-Eastern Europe.

In political circles, it is believed that German influence in Lithuania is likely to be increased, since 80 per cent. of Lithuanian foreign trade goes through Memel.—Reuter.

## UNABRIDGED 'MEIN KAMPF' PUBLISHED

London, To-day.

The first unabridged edition of Hitler's book, "My Struggle" was published yesterday by Hurst and Blackett.

The book, which was translated by James Murphy, is sold at eight shillings and sixpence. An abridged edition was published in London shortly after Hitler took over power, but it was withdrawn three years ago at the request of the German publishers.—Trans-Ocean.



# GERMANY'S TREATY WITH SLOVAKIA: REICH MAY OCCUPY AND FORTIFY

Berlin, To-day.

The German-Slovak Treaty was signed in Berlin yesterday.

Under the treaty the Reich takes over protection of the political independence of the Slovak State and the integrity of its territory.

German armed forces have at all times the right to erect military bases in the zone west of the border of Slovakia and east of a general line comprised by the eastern edge of the Javeric Mountains.

The Slovaks agree to regulations for Customs and free provisioning of German troops.

In the zone mentioned, military and sovereign rights are to be exercised by the German armed forces.

## SLOVAK FORCES

The Slovaks will organise their own military strength in close co-operation with the German armed forces.

The Slovaks will always conduct foreign policy in close understanding with Germany. — Reuter.

## TO REMAIN IN FORCE FOR 25 YEARS

Berlin, To-day.

The agreement between Germany and Slovakia, signed at the Foreign Office yesterday, will, according to informed quarters, remain in force for 25 years and become immediately effective.

The German Army shall, at any

time, have the right to build fortifications in, and occupy a zone bounded in the west by the Slovak frontier and in the east by the Carpathian and Yavornik Mountains.

The Slovak Government undertakes to place at the disposal of the German Army the necessary ground for construction of such fortifications.

Slovakia will remain a separate Customs territory and will retain her own currency, no provisions to the contrary having been included in the agreement. — Trans-Ocean.

## A.R.P. WARDENS

The Air Raid Precautions Officer announces that the undermentioned successfully passed the Air Raid Warden's Examination held at the Club Lusitano on 17th March. Messrs. F. A. Joseph, J. L. Adams, C. H. Basto, J. M. Dalziel, T. W. Erskine, V. M. Barradas, F. E. d'Almada Remedios, F. G. Bird, Henry Chong, G. T. Bird, C. Carr, E. Sahmet, W. J. Morris, C. P.

## RUMANIAN ARMS ORDERS TO BE FILLED

Bucharest, To-day.

Germany has informed Rumania that all her orders for armaments and munitions placed with the Skoda Works in Bohemia before Czecho-Slovakia was occupied, will be delivered on time.

The orders include ten loads of munitions due for immediate delivery. — Reuter.

## MEMEL TO BE MADE INTO FORTRESS

Memel, To-day.

It became known here shortly before the arrival of the Fuehrer that Memel will be made a fortress with a Naval Captain, Mollmann, who arrived here yesterday in the forenoon as the first Commandant.

The German naval squadron which arrived in Memel Harbour consisted of three battlecruisers, the Deutschland, Admiral Scheer, Graf Spee, three cruisers, the Koeln, Nuernberg, and Leipzig, eight destroyers, nine torpedoboats, five convoy ships, several mine destroyers and mine layers. — Trans-Ocean.

Wong, A. L. Fisher, C. L. Rocha, E. de Sousa, I. P. Corveth, H. R. Sequeira.

## ECONOMY MOVE IN CONGRESS GIVEN SETBACK

WASHINGTON, TO-DAY.

HAVING REJECTED PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S REQUEST TO CURTAIL FARM BENEFIT PAYMENTS BY 30 PER CENT. THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE YESTERDAY APPROVED THE AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT'S APPROPRIATION BILL.

The Bill aggregates \$1,156,000,000, nearly \$250,000,000 over the Presidential Budget recommendations.

This is a severe setback to the so-called economy movement in Congress, and raises the definite possibility that the President may ask Congress to provide additional revenue.

Excess over the Budget was caused by inclusion of \$250,000,000 for parity payments and \$15,000,000 to increase soil conservation payments. — Reuter.

## ITALY IN WHEAT MARKET

Genoa, To-day.

It is reported that Italy is negotiating for the purchase of 90,000 tons of wheat from Yugo-Slavia, Hungary and Rumania. — Reuter.



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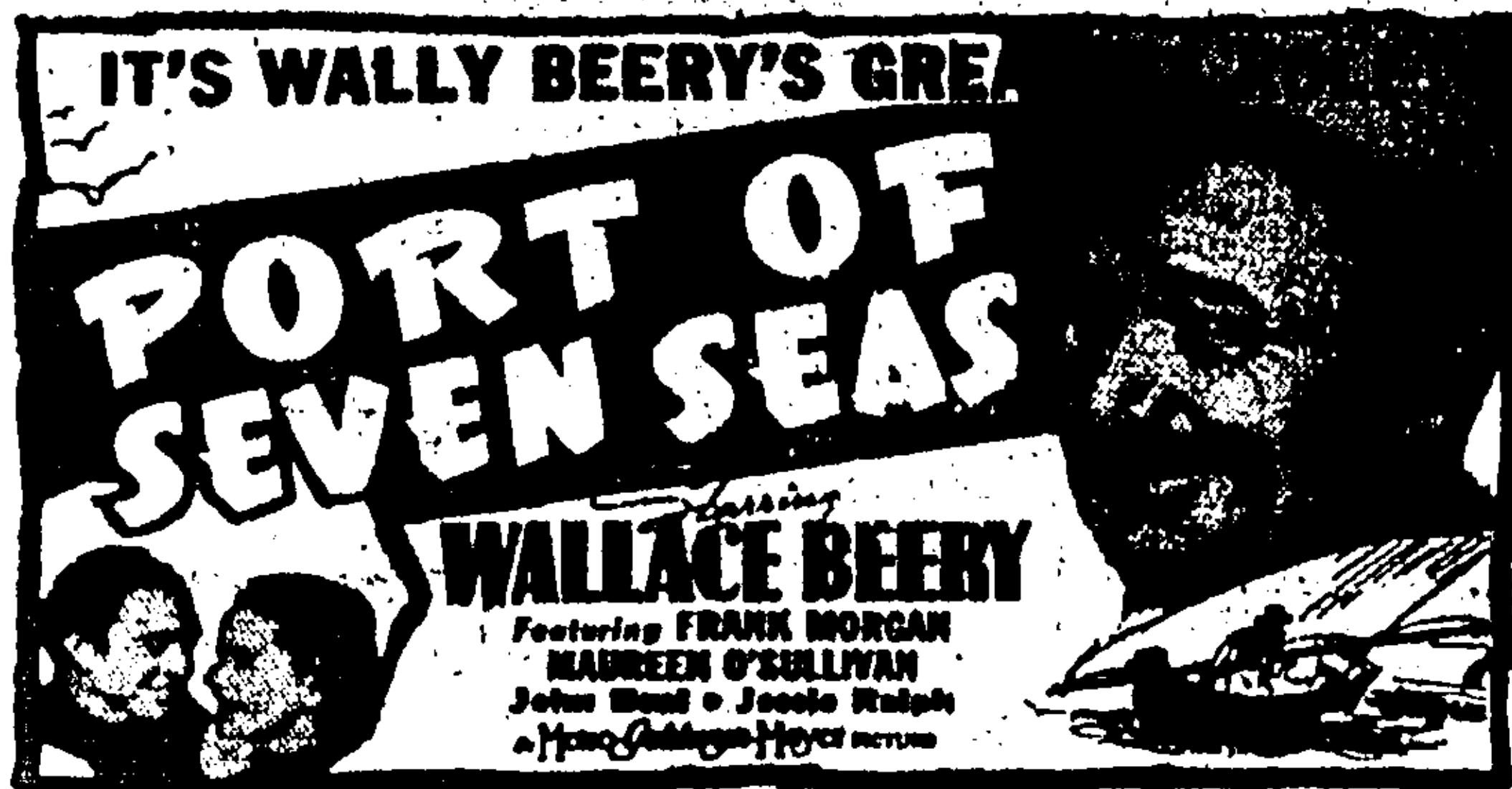
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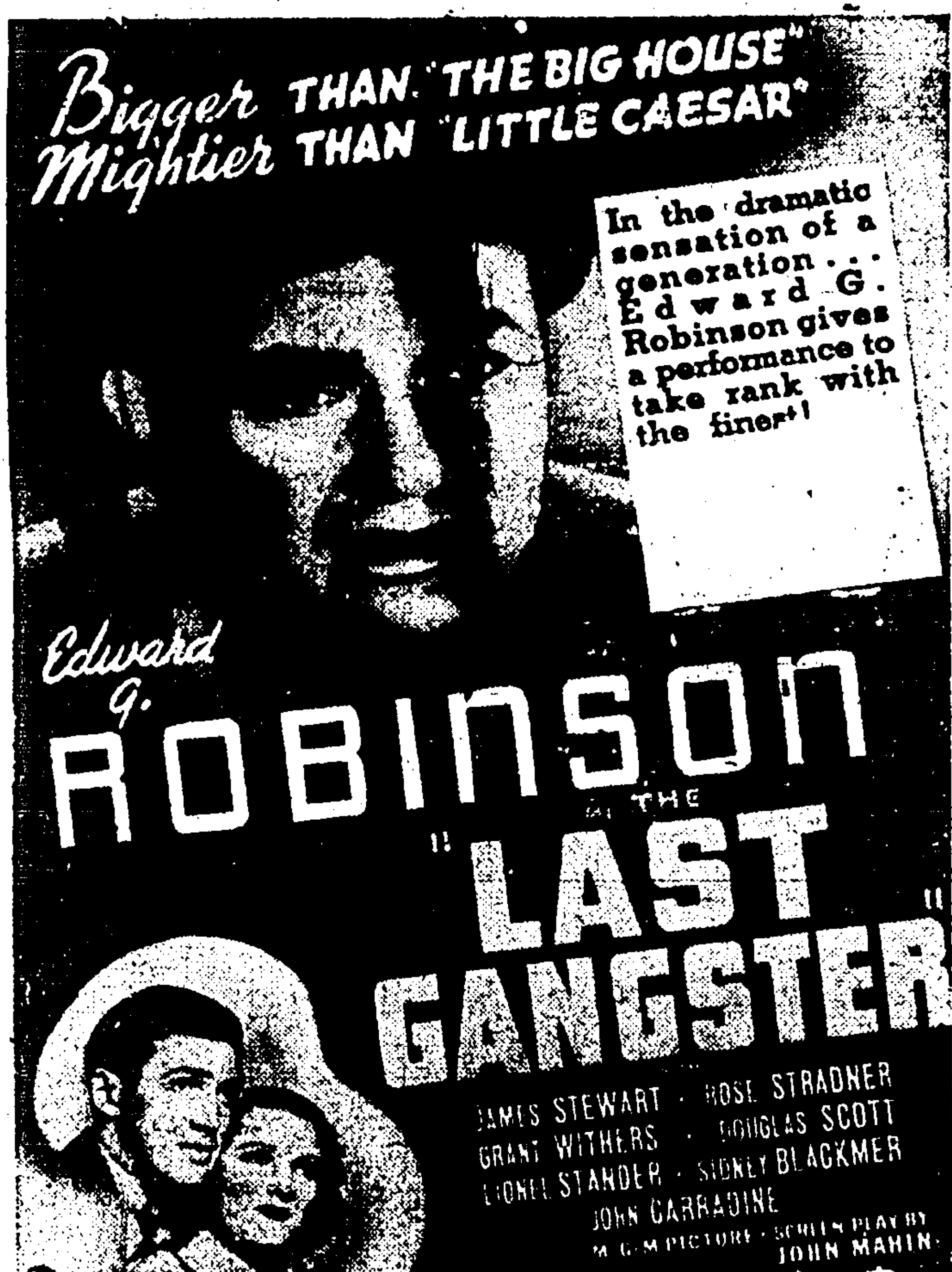
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ALTHOUGH INCOME FOR 1937 SHOWED AN INCREASE OVER 1936, LOSSES WERE CONSIDERABLY HEAVIER DUE TO UNSATISFACTORY OPERATIONS IN STERLING ACCOUNT AND THE TYPHOON OF SEPTEMBER, 1937, SAID THE CHAIRMAN, MR. D. F. LANDALE, AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE HONG KONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD., HELD THIS MORNING AT JARDINE'S.

The Chairman said:—Before commencing the business of this Meeting, I wish to express the regret of the General Managers and Consulting Committee that Sir Robert Ho Tung is not with us to-day. After many years, during which the Company has had the benefit of his valued advice, he has felt that advancing age made it incumbent on him to retire from the Board. We wish to record our sincere thanks for all he has done and wish him long life and happiness in his well-earned retirement. I am pleased to say that the Hon. M. K. Lo has accepted our invitation to fill the vacancy made by the resignation of Sir Robert Ho Tung.

Another change in the personnel of the Consulting Committee that I regret to advise, is the resignation of Mr. Felix A. Joseph. Mr. Joseph is leaving for England early next month and to him also we tender our best thanks for past services, together with all good wishes for the future.

## LEAN YEAR

The outturn of the Company's working for the year 1937, which we now present to you and which shows a credit balance of \$495,866, can only be described as lean, reflecting as it does the unsatisfactory results of our operations in Sterling during that year. Our Income, both from Sterling and Hong Kong and China Currencies, was up by over \$56,000 but unfortunately the toll of losses exceeded that for 1936 by just over two lakhs of Hong Kong dollars; this heavy increase was due to our Sterling Account to the extent of \$150,000, while the balance was very largely the result of the Typhoon that visited Hong Kong on the night of the 1st/2nd September 1937.

A comparison of ratios, as between the year under review and its immediate predecessor, is as follows:—Losses 61.74% as against 53.27%, Charges 37.67% and 39.34%, leaving a balance of .59% as against that of 7.39% for 1936 at the same stage. The rates of Sterling Exchange taken were identical at 1/2%, so that this factor does not enter.

Exchange between Shanghai and Hong Kong remained steady until after the 31st December 1937 with the result that Income from Investments for that year shows a slight increase of \$649 over that for 1936.

The balance at credit of Working Account 1938 is \$762,452, an increase of approximately \$46,000 on that for the year 1937 at the same period and the third best we have had. Had it not been for the fall in Shanghai Exchange, the position would have been even better; as it is, the Account discloses a fall in Interest of nearly \$70,000 as compared with that for the previous year. It would be premature yet to speculate as to the result of this Account but we are hopeful that it will run off better than its predecessor.

## DIVIDEND UNCHANGED

The surplus now to be dealt with is \$495,866, the balance of Account 1937, and we recommend the payment of \$12 per share absorbing \$480,000 and the appropriation of the balance of \$15,866 to Reinsurance Fund. Had it not

been for the satisfactory showing made by the Account for 1938, we should have been chary of recommending the continuance of the dividend at the full figure of \$12 but, with some hope of better things ahead, we feel that it would have been unfair to propose any cut until the position appeared to render it definitely necessary.

It has been our constant wish, in past years, to confine the amount of our dividend to round about the figure of income from Investments but this, in future, may not be possible and you will appreciate that it might be some years before we again reach that happy state. We trust that trading profits will be somewhat more plentiful than they have been for the last two years and so allow of the continuance of the present dividend and further additions to Reserves.

It is the custom at this Meeting for the Chairman to comment on the position of the Company's Reserves and, consequently, I have to call your attention to the heavy inroad that has been made into our Investment and Exchange Fluctuation Account by reason of the fall in value of our Shanghai Investments and also to the lower Exchange at which we have been obliged to take them into our Balance Sheet. At the end of 1937 the rate was 106, whereas at the 31st December last year it had fallen to 180.

## EXCHANGE RESERVE

At the close of the year 1937, the Reserve in question amounted to \$696,271 but after provision had been made for these losses it stood reduced to the figure of \$58,684. As your General Managers and Consulting Committee considered this last-named amount inadequate, they have transferred the sum of \$500,000 from Reinsurance Fund, so that the figure at credit of Investment and Exchange Fluctuation Account—as at the end of last year—stood at \$558,684.

As readjusted, our Reserves are still in a very strong position and more than adequate for the business we undertake; granted more favourable conditions, our first care will be to rehabilitate the Reinsurance Fund to something like its previous position.

I trust you will approve the usual grant of a bonus to Members of the Staff of 15% on their salaries; that the outturn has been thin is no fault of theirs and they have worked well during the past twelve months.

## REASONABLE OPTIMISM

I do not think it would be helpful for me to say much with regard to business conditions in so far as they relate to Insurance; that they have been poor is obvious from the result of 1937 we now place before you and that there is justification for a reasonable degree of optimism for the future is shown by the carry forward for 1938. Things change very quickly in these days and although the measure by which we could previously gauge possible results some way ahead no longer applies, I am inclined to be hopeful. One adverse factor, that I would particularly stress, is the loss that we

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# LAW OF JUNGLE IN EUROPE: MR. EDEN CALLS FOR UNITED EFFORT BY BRITAIN

London, To-day.

In a speech in London yesterday, Mr. Anthony Eden said: "A great part of Europe now sees no law prevailing but the law of the jungle, where the prey falls to the swiftest and most ruthless stroke."

"What is the duty of peace-loving nations to this threatened condition? I believe there can only be one answer to that. To unite and immediately to organise defence against further aggression."

"But, if this policy is to succeed, it must be based upon principle. You cannot unite the nations of Europe on any number of them simply on the basis of possession."

"The basis must be one of principle and that principle is clear—to preserve what remains of the rule of law in Europe, to maintain those essential standards of international conduct upon which all progress depends and to protect those principles in Europe which yet survive."

## BRITAIN'S DUTY

Mr. Eden emphasised that Britain could not enter upon this policy on the basis of limited liability but would have to be ready to take its share in any defensive system that might be built up not only on sea and in the air but on land also.

"It is my conviction that we in this country cannot take too soon the necessary steps in relation to industry to national wealth and to man power to enable us to do this."

—British Wireless.

## LULL ON HUPEH FRONT

Ichang, To-day.

After abortive attempts to cross the Han River, the Japanese have relaxed in their drive in central Hupeh.

A lull has set in. Several columns of Japanese troops have been withdrawn from their advanced positions along the Chungsiang-Ichang highway. —Central News.

## CHINESE LAUNCH COUNTER-ATTACK

Chungking, To-day.

Reinforced, the Chinese troops in north Kiangsu are launching a counter-offensive with favourable results.

Lienhsui, Gzeshui, Paoyin, Fowning and Shuyang, have been re-occupied, while Hwaiyin, until recently the temporary seat of the Kiangsu Provincial Government, is under siege. —Central News.

## SUI RIVER BATTLE STILL RAGING

Nanchang, To-day.

Military advices reveal that hostilities on the Siu River front are raging with increasing violence but the Chinese are firmly resisting.

Japanese planes from bases in north Kiangsi are in full action. They have been raiding the Chinese positions in relays every day, assisting the drive of the land units.

The forces are locked in a grim struggle at Sankungtu, on the south bank of the Siu River.

Battle for possession of Wucheng, at the mouth of the Siu River, on the west bank of Poyang Lake, is also fierce. Hokikung, near Wucheng, has changed hands twice in the last few days. —Central News.

## HEAVY LOSSES IN HONAN RAIDS

Nanyang, To-day.

Heavy losses were inflicted by Japanese planes during raids over Chowchiakow, Chengchow and Loyang in northern Honan.

Some 78 civilians were killed in Chowchiakow. More than 70 houses were demolished.

Chengchow suffered 89 civilian casualties. Most of the bombs, landed in the busy sections of the town and the railway station.

Five were killed and 22 maimed in Loyang. —Central News.

## BUDGET SPEECH ON APRIL 25

London, To-day.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer will open his second Budget in the Commons on April 25. —British Wireless.

## NORWEGIAN NAVAL MEN RETAINED

Oslø, To-day.

Norwegian naval recruits who would ordinarily have been released from service on April 1, are being retained with the Colours for a further two months. —Reuter.

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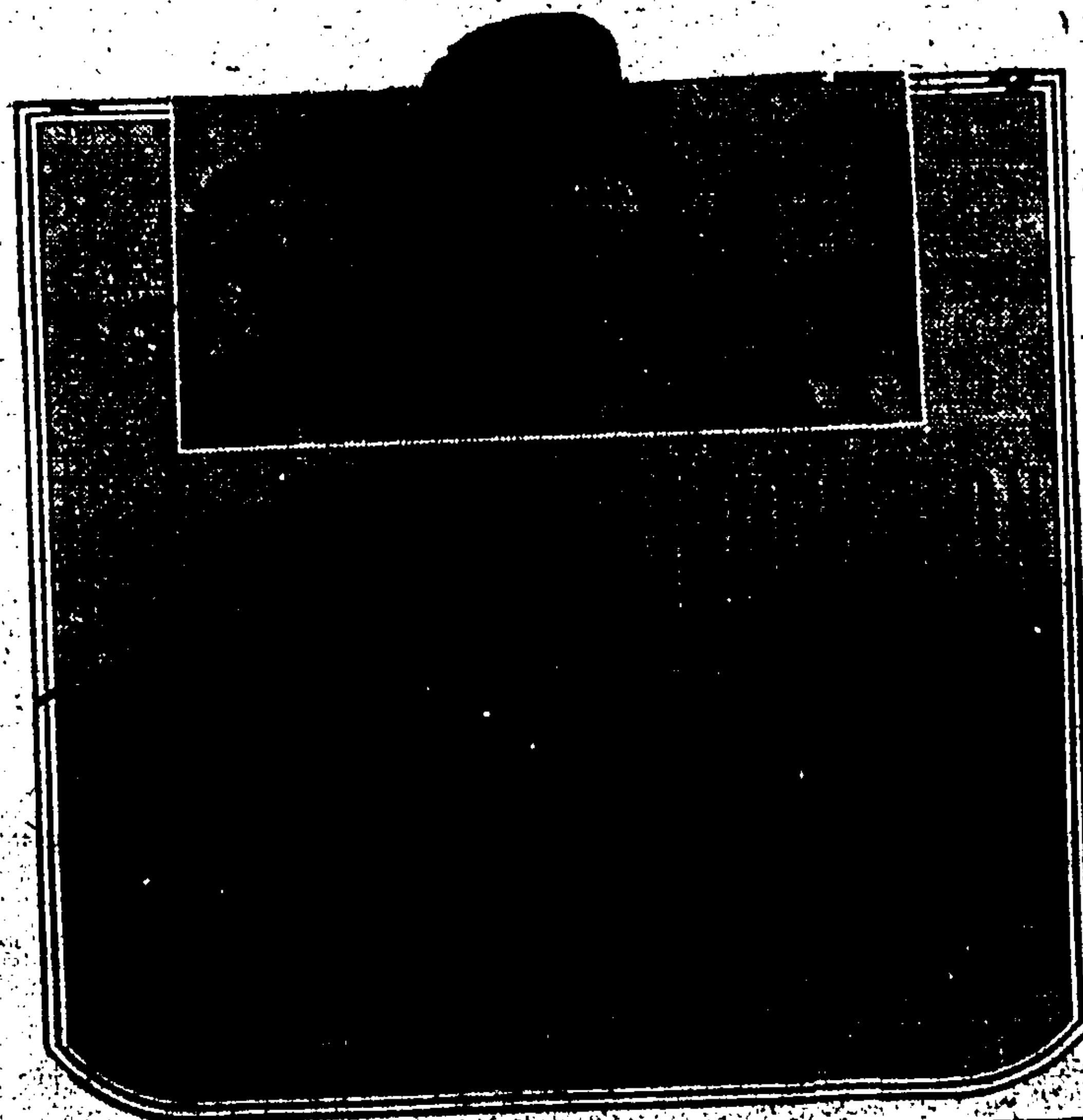
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## The Crisis And The Duty Of The Press

Pithy comments on the news cabled from Europe by news agencies are contained in this letter, by "Gregalach," which appears in the "North China Daily News," of Shanghai.

The writer says:

Rather more impressive than the accomplished fact of German seizure of Czechoslovakia, is the extraordinary inability of the various democratic news agencies to provide the rest of the world with sufficient warning beforehand of this type of Anschluss. As far as Britain is concerned, she has always prided herself on the possession of the finest intelligence service in the world and the complete freedom of her Press. Surely the two boasts are scarcely consistent in this instance. Either Chamberlain's officially professed astonishment at the overnight demolition of a gallant little state was genuine, in which case one can hardly congratulate Whitehall's hitherto established omniscience, or, the Press has been muzzled, an indication of the probability, constantly asserted by certain sections of the American Press that Chamberlain's appeasement policy is really a shield for his secret hope of closer co-ordination with the Reich and other totalitarian Powers.

It has often been said that there are three Englands. The England that is the House of Commons, the England as represented by a Press and the real England—the Little Man's Country which is always supposed to have the final word. But the Little Man—the man-in-the-street—must derive at least a basis for his opinions from the Press, a source which is at present either deliberately from political or private motives misleading the public, or being misled by its Government. There is so much information, which the poor, dazed sheep in the democratic flock might surely have learned by now from an enlightened Press. We are told that Slovakia has appealed to the Reich for assistance against Czech oppression before we have even heard of Slovakia's case, or, for that matter, Prague's, that Ruthenia has proclaimed her independence with the tacit consent of Germany and Hungary, and that the Czechs are marching into Ruthenia, that the Hungarians are marching into Ruthenia, that the Rumanians are marching into Ruthenia, that the Germans are marching into Ruthenia, that the Rumanians are not greeting the Hungarians with open arms, that the Ruthenians are putting up fierce opposition to the Hungarians, that Hitler consents to a Polish-Hungarian adjacent frontier, that Hitler opposes same, that Slovakia has proclaimed her independence, that Slovakia is to be taken over by the Reich and so on. Would it not be better, if we really are to have a controlled Press in direct opposition to democratic principles, that, instead of their consistent raking up of a "fait accompli," we were told what Hitler's next step must logically be; to what extent, for instance, Russia is worth counting on as one of our assets, and how far Britain and France may really rely on American moral or armed support in the event of a German drive to the West. Is it not possible for the Press to sum up frankly and freely the balance of power—Britain's and France's united strength on land and water and in the air as opposed to that of Germany, Italy and Japan, instead of the vague and unsatisfactory figures handed out to us by a Press inspired by a necessarily optimistic Govern-

ment? There are many of us, who would at least feel a certain relief at knowing where we stand even if the facts, cold bloodedly presented, were primarily in favour of the totalitarian states. Any fool knows by now that appeasement has proved a tragic failure, except perhaps for the further six months' respite it has given us for the benefit of our last minute Re-armament Programme. By giving us the truth, bitter though it may be, British newspapers all over the world might stop trying to save Chamberlain's face and start trying to save Britain.

## DEFENCE CHIEF'S DAUGHTER— "WAITRESS"

EVERY THURSDAY THE HON. KATHARINE CHATFIELD, TWENTY-SEVEN-YEARS-OLD DAUGHTER OF OUR NEW DEFENCE MINISTER, LORD CHATFIELD, BECOMES A WAITRESS.

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"AFTERS" 1D.

"Stew, tuppence! Afters, a penny!" shouts Miss Chatfield, and plunges busily between the crowded tables.

("Afters" are cheap, well-cooked sweets of which the most popular is boiled rice and jam).

When the meal is over, some of the men leave. Others stay and talk. Miss Chatfield, who's been serving lunches for the past four years, always stays. She is an artist.

I discovered her in a great, sprawling, untidy studio at the back of a children's dress-shop in Pimlico. There was paint on her navy-blue trousers, paint on her scarlet jumper, paint on a red-hot, rumbling anthracite stove.

Against an easel stood the picture of an Indian's head in oils.

HE CAME EARLY

"I found him in the soup-kitchen," said Miss Chatfield. "I think he must have been a gentleman, because he had such odd ideas about punctuality. He arrived two hours late for the first sitting and, when I protested, two hours early for the second!"

## NEGOTIATIONS WITH BELGIUM DENIED

Brussels, To-day.

Press reports that negotiations are taking place between Belgium and Germany for retrocession of the region of Eupen-Malmédy to Germany, are authoritatively denied.

The region in question was given to Belgium by the treaty of Versailles.

Of 62,000 inhabitants, 52,000 are German speaking while the remainder consist of Walloons. It is also denied that in exchange for the retrocession of the region, the German Government offered a new and definite guarantee of the Belgian frontiers—Trans-Ocean.



# HITLER'S SUBTLE WARNING

## REFUSAL TO CROSS THE POLISH CORRIDOR

### GERMAN REPLY TO MR. CHAMBERLIN

Berlin, To-day.  
The question of Mr. Neville Chamberlain, in Parliament, as to whether Germany is striving to dominate Europe by force, has led to a sharp rejoinder by the German News Agency.

It is hard to understand, the Agency says, how the British Prime Minister can see, "in the natural course of events taking place in Central Europe," the possibility of the urge on the part of Germany to dominate Europe. Knowledge of history would tell him that Germany is keeping within the orbit of what nobody can deny is its legitimate living space.

To be sure, Chamberlain recognises in theory, Germany's right to expand its economic possibilities. In practice, however, Germany has felt time and again British attempts to combat directly or indirectly German endeavours to achieve this end.

If Britain makes the consolidation of Central Europe the pretence for further action of this kind, it will be doing something which will arouse great mistrust in Germany and give rise to the suspicion that Britain is seeking to oppose its aspirations towards economic independence.—Trans-Ocean.

Official quarters admit that difficulty is being experienced in drawing up the proposed anti-aggression declaration by peace-loving States, although satisfaction is expressed that the Soviet Government has now notified its approval in principle.

Main obstacle to the success of the British initiative is the desire of Poland that any declarations should be in more precise terms than contemplated by the British draft, with specific commitments by all Powers to each:

Poland's position is appreciated in London and the whole situation is under further review, though final decision may await upon an inclination now manifest to accept the Soviet suggestion of an inter-governmental conference, which would take place, probably, either in Paris or London.

#### MEMEL ALARM

Events in Memel have crystallised Poland's hesitation about associating herself with an anti-German declaration which is at all ambiguous regarding the commitments of the signatories.

Polish feelings in this regard have not been lessened by the statement attributed to Hitler, in explanation of his journey to Memel in the Deutschland and not overland.

Hitler is said to have remarked that he would not set foot on German territory which has not

London, To-day.

yet been restored to Germany (referring to the Polish Corridor). Poland now has Germany on three sides and is ready to join any clearcut alliance between Britain, France and the Soviet. Colonel Beck, however, is unlikely to commit himself to any declaration provocative to the Reich without firm guarantees.

#### NOT QUICK ENOUGH

The provision in the proposed British declaration for common consultation in the event of a further threat to the peace of Europe or aggressive pressure on a friendly State is criticised as it does not provide for sufficiently quick action in these days when the habit of dictatorships reveals the peril of the slightest delay.

Both the German and Italian newspapers appear to think that the British initiative will fail. Sig-

### GOVERNOR TO ATTEND RACES

His Excellency the Governor is expected to have sufficiently recovered from his slight indisposition to be able to attend Kwantung Races on Sunday. Sir Geoffrey and Lady Northcote are returning from Fanling Lodge to Government House on Monday.

nor Gayda, writing in "Giornale d'Italia" says that the proposed democratic alliance is stillborn.

#### BRUSSELS COMMENT

Trans-Ocean quotes a Brussels official comment which says that Belgium has not been approached and desires to remain outside any such combinations.

Belgian quarters, says Trans-Ocean, express the opinion that the results of British efforts will be limited to an Anglo-French declaration to which a number of smaller countries will be invited to signify their platonic adhesion.

#### SOVIET AGREEMENT

A Note from the Soviet Russian Government handed to Lord Halifax yesterday, however, confirms the agreement of the Soviet to the British proposals.

The question of whether, in the event of inability to accommodate the declaration to Poland's wishes and needs, the declaration would be made by Britain, France and Soviet Russia only has not been decided, says Trans-Ocean.

The "News-Chronicle" says that Memel shows once again the Nazi belief that right is on the side of the big bomber. The sands are running out. Mr. Chamberlain has a last chance to save Europe, but he must act quickly.

## BERLIN CONGRATULATES ITSELF HEARTILY

Berlin, To-day.

A festively decorated Berlin greeted yesterday "as the day on which it became an established fact that no foreign power could undermine Germany's predominating influence in Central Europe."

While Adolf Hitler was addressing the enthusiastic Memel Germans, a treaty was signed in Berlin between the Reich and the Slovak now under German protection, and almost at the same time, in Bucharest was signed the German-Rumanian economic treaty.

Berlin political circles describe the conclusion of the German-Rumanian treaty as well as the Lithuanian agreement as victory over the British efforts to include smaller Central European States in an anti-German group. It is recalled that the report was circulated in London on Saturday last that Germany had presented an economic ultimatum to Rumania.

The report which was denied by the Rumanian Government, failed as well as the announced dispatching of a British economic commission to Rumania, to prevent sign-

ing of a German-Rumanian agreement which, as no commercial agreement before "safeguards the closest cooperation in all fields" between the two States.

The German-Lithuanian agreement is likewise expected in Berlin to contribute to further development of German-Lithuanian trade even if only by establishment of a free zone for the Lithuanians in Memel harbour.

While Rumania will make larger deliveries of oil, ores, cereals and lumber, Lithuania is expected to supply flax, butter, eggs and meat.—Trans-Ocean.



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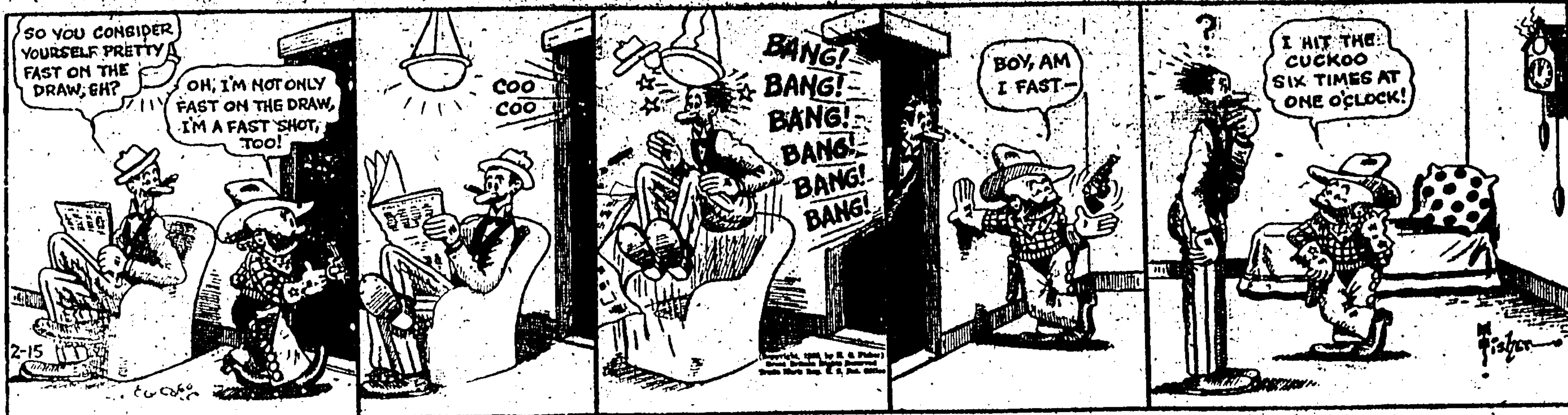
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## THE DAILY SHORT STORY

## Not Bright Enough

For a while I thought we were going to have a time with Owen Gaskill after we told him about the murder of Otto. Otto was Owen's half brother, but there was a bond between them that was stronger than that which exists between own brothers.

Tears came into Owen's eyes. "I'll find that man who did it! I'll find and kill him, if it's the last thing I do!"

Neither I nor Martha, the housekeeper, nor Burt, the outside man, said anything. This was no time for friendly advice or kindly warning. After a moment Owen walked over and stood looking down at his brother. His fists were clenched and his lips were tightly pressed together.

"To think," he said, "that at the very moment when it happened I was talking to the one man who could and was willing to help us out of our difficulties."

He was referring, I know to, Ogden Keyes. Keyes was an old friend of Jasper Gaskill, from whom the two boys had inherited the laundry business. Things hadn't been going well for the youths; Old Jasper had never made them work when he was alive and the resulting lack of knowledge about the business which was their

But when the Lieutenant returned he was alone.

"Find out anything?" I asked him. "Plenty. Do me that favour of rounding up everyone in the house. I want to make a speech."

It struck me that there was a queer note in the officer's tone. Vaguely apprehensive, I went in search of the servants and Owen. I found Owen oiling and cleaning a gun. There was a wild light in his eyes.

"Don't be a fool, Owen," I said quietly. "The law will get your revenge for you."

He smiled indulgently, slipped the gun into his pocket and followed me downstairs.

The Lieutenant had produced a sheaf of papers. When we were all assembled he read from the papers. "This is a statement of the Gaskill Laundry company. The concern was a good deal worse off than anyone thought. I talked with Ogden Keyes. He admitted having agreed to lend Owen Gaskill money. But the sum wasn't near enough to cover the amount needed to keep the laundry from going into bankruptcy. In fact, it was barely enough to keep Owen from letting it become known to his half

By James Freeman

heritage, coupled with the nation-wide decline in industrial activity, had proved a decided handicap. As the family lawyer and friend of Jasper, I had advised them as best I could.

Five minutes after Owen arrived from town and was told of Otto's murder, a police car stopped in front of the house. There were two plainclothes men and a uniformed officer. They introduced themselves as Lieutenant Love and Medical examiner Quale. The latter immediately began examination of the body.

I hoped for an opportunity to talk alone with Lieutenant Love and was glad when he called me into the study.

"Any ideas?" he asked.

"About who did it?" I said. "It could be one of half a dozen I might name. Business associates of the boys who thought they were going to lose money."

"What do you mean 'thought'?" "Owen called on his father's oldest and best friend this morning. A man named Ogden Keyes. Keyes agreed to help them out of their difficulties. The irony of it is, Otto was being murdered at the moment Keyes was promising his support, and probably the killer was one of the creditors."

The Lieutenant scratched his chin.

"How's the kid taking it?" "Not so good. He's been making threats. Perhaps you'd better have a talk with him, Lieutenant."

"I'll do that."

We went back into the living room. Quale was finishing his examination and Lieutenant Love held a low-voiced conversation with him. Martha and Burt and Owen had all disappeared.

"Tell them they won't be allowed to leave the place," Love explained to me. "I'm leaving an officer outside to make sure. I'm going in town. Be back in an hour or so."

I sat down to wait. It occurred to me that Love might have gone to call on one of the creditors whom I had mentioned. If so, I was curious to find out which one.

brother that he, Owen, had been personally filching funds from the business."

There was a deathly silence, broken by a wild scream from Owen. "It's a lie! It's a dirty lie! You're trying to frame me!"

He leaped, and I remembered the gun in his pocket. I moved to intercept him, but the uniformed patrolman was ahead of me. I didn't know the patrolman was standing behind the curtains. His appearance was sudden and very timely. Owen practically fell into his arms.

"A kid like Owen isn't bright enough or criminally-minded enough to get away with a murder," the Lieutenant explained to me later. "Remember he told you the murder was being committed at the time he was talking to Keyes? I checked with the medical examiner and his report confirmed the time of death within a half hour or so. That would have given Owen time to get to Keyes' office, and a perfect alibi. But, as nobody had told Owen when the murder was committed, I thought it a bit strange that he should know."

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# Hungarian Military Attack In Eastern Part Of Slovakia

## BORDER ERROR SUGGESTS COUNT CSAKY

Berlin, To-day.

The Slovak Government announces that Hungarian troops have invaded eastern Slovakia, according to a message from Bratislava.

Later reports indicate that the Hungarian incursions into Slovakia are rather more serious and far-reaching than at first believed.

A formal Note has been sent from Bratislava to Budapest protesting against the violation of Slovak territory, and demanding a satisfactory reply within a few hours. This has been given.

Information has also been sent to Berlin but it is not yet known whether German military assistance was requested.

In the meantime, Slovakian troops are resisting the attacks, and minor engagements are reported to have occurred, with casualties on both sides.

Aeroplanes have appeared over Presov, but no bombs were dropped.

The reply of the Hungarian Foreign Minister, Count Csaky (says a Budapest cable), promised an urgent investigation, and stated that the fact that Slovakia's Eastern frontier was never delimited might have led to a local dispute.

### OPERATIONS DENIED

He denied there was any question of a military operation, and added that rumours that Hungarian troops were conducting operations with the encouragement or tacit approval of Germany, were deliberate lies. — Reuter.

### Authority Breaks Down

Bratislava, To-day.

It was impossible last evening to obtain telephonic communication with eastern Slovakia, but according to various reports received, fighting is continuing near Uszrod.

Slovak troops are said to be resisting the Hungarian invasion. Hlinka Guards and several Slovak soldiers have been killed, according to a communication to the press by the leader of the Hlinka Guards, Dr. Mach.

He admitted that authority has completely broken down in remote parts of Slovakia.

Further Slovak troops and Hlinka Guards have been despatched to resist the Hungarian invasion. Hungarian troops were warned to withdraw by midnight, otherwise Slovak troops would launch a large-scale offensive. — Trans-Ocean.

### SLOVAK CABINET MEETS

Bratislava, To-day.

The Slovak Premier, Father Tiso, has summoned a conference of Ministers to discuss the invasion of Hungarian troops.

Among those present were the Minister for National Defence, Kabloš, the Commander-in-Chief of the Hlinka guards, Mach, and the Chief of the political staff of the Hlinka guards, Murgas. It was decided to take immediate military and diplomatic measures. — Trans-Ocean.

### Three Columns March In

Bratislava, To-day.

Concerning the entry of Hungarian troops into eastern Slovakia yesterday, characterised by the Slovak authorities as an utterly unexpected military assault on Slovak territory, exact reports were not available here until late last afternoon.

It now appears that the Hungarians marched into eastern Slovakia in three columns shortly after midnight.

Infantry battalions marched from Velke Beresna to Ubla and Szakein and one motorized regiment with tanks from Uzhorod, in the direction of Sobrance.

### 20-KILOMETRE ADVANCE

At 9.30 o'clock yesterday morning the Hungarians had advanced about 20 kilometres on the Slovak side of the frontier.

Towards 11 o'clock, Hungarian formations occupied positions on the Roztoky-Fekizovoe line.

In the course of forenoon, Hungarian planes were over Preschoy. In the district of Sobrance, a fortified Hungarian line is said to have been observed yesterday afternoon.

Reports state that the Slovak troops have dug trenches in positions opposite the Hungarians and are now holding these positions. — Trans-Ocean.

## EUROPEAN'S CAR ON FIRE

Prompt action of an A.A. patrol and the police saved car No. 3904 belonging to Mr. A. L. Fisher of the Telephone Co. from being badly burned this morning.

Shortly after 9 a.m. smoke was seen in the interior of the car which had its windows up. The traffic department was notified.

A working party of Messrs. Dodwell discovered that the cause was a short circuit in the battery box.

At the time of arrival of the Police, the floor board was red hot and the rubber matting burning.

Apart from damage to the floor board, however, no other damage was sustained.

### COLOMBO CONSUL FIRM

Colombo, To-day.

The Czech Consul, who is an Englishman, has refused to hand over the Consulate to the German authorities.

It is understood he says that England has not recognised the annexation of the Czech States, and this is the ground for his action. — Reuter.

## SHORT CUT FOR NAVY

Since Hitler has announced the widening of the Kiel Canal, Mussolini has been anxiously watching work now being pressed forward on another canal, which may play a vital part in any Mediterranean crisis. It is the four-mile long Corinth Canal.

The Greek Government, friendly to Britain, have decided to widen it—it is now only 72 ft. wide. This is of tremendous importance to the British Navy, for now the Mediterranean Fleet will be able to take a short cut through the Canal instead of making a detour round the Island of Morea, saving 300 miles.

## BRITISH TRADE DELEGATION FOR CHINA POSSIBLE

London, To-day.

Present circumstances are not favourable for despatch of a British mission to Chungking to consult with the Chinese Government as regards the best opportunities of developing trade in textiles in West China.

This declaration was made by Mr. Ronald Cross, Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade, in the House of Commons yesterday in reply to Mr. H. Sutcliffe (Conservative; Royton).

Mr. Cross added that the Board of Trade did not wish to discourage the interests concerned from sending a mission if they considered the possibilities of trade were worth exploring. — Reuter.

A lecture on the "International Financial Position of China" is to be delivered by Dr. Szeto at 8.30 to-night in the Union Assembly Room of the University. The general public is cordially invited by the Law and Commerce Society.

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## THE JIGSAW OF EUROPE

Quiet acceptance everywhere of the pressures exerted on Lithuania to compel restoration of Memel to Germany is significant for several reasons. In the first place, the circumstances cannot be compared, for a second, with the rape of Czechoslovakia. Memel is predominantly German, has long clamoured with more sincerity than many of the Sudetenlanders for return to the Reich, and although Herr Hitler promised to do nothing about changing Memel's status, at least the principle of self-determination is not infringed. It should show Germany, too, that resistance to German aspirations is not automatic. Where there is a case for German claims a reasoned study is given to it. It is when the liberties and rights of others are brutally overridden roughshod that challenge rears its head.

Memel, in fact, contributes nothing towards elucidation of the problem which is Europe today. No more than do developments in Rumania and Hungary. The exact position adopted by Rumania may be clarified in a day or two; but Hungary's is likely to be illusive for some considerable time.

Hungary's position on the changing political map of Europe has seldom been better illustrated than by the paradoxical events reported from Budapest three weeks ago. While Count Czaky was signing the anti-Comintern pact—associating his country with Germany, Italy and Japan in the anti-Communist front which also looks so much like an anti-democratic front—other Hungarian authorities were engaged in raiding and dissolving the leading National Socialist organisation in Hungary. Government spokesmen declared there was clear proof of subversive activity by the Hungarians though no proof that they were subsidized by the Third Reich.

Reactions in Berlin indicated that Hungary's new Premier, Count Teleki, took a momentarily successful course in dealing with the Hungarians. German com-

ment stressed the "internal" character of this move, contrasting that with the external relationship which had been underscored by the signing of the anti-Comintern pact. Yet it should not be assumed that for Hungary there is no relationship between the two developments. Both arise from the fact that Hungary is feeling German pressure within and without. Hungary for the present must go as far as possible with Germany in foreign policy to prevent the rise of pretexts for foreign intervention in Hungary's internal affairs.

The more positive attitude toward questions in Eastern Europe on the part of France and Great Britain, may be welcome in Hungary. Without it, Budapest's diplomacy must keep on bowing terms with powerful Hitler and yet avoid such intimate friendship as might be taken as a tacit invitation to enter Hungary's house at his pleasure.

The civil manner in which Berlin received the news of an anti-Nazi measure in Hungary can be accounted for by the probability that Germany did not wish to mar the day on which the anti-Comintern pact was signed by a new member, Berlin no doubt was aware, however, that Hungary was attempting a control of Germanism within the country which it was unable to control without. The facts cannot have been lost on Berlin. Hence the underlying importance of the sudden volte face in Bucharest which, on the face of it, ended the "tension" between Hungary and Rumania. It is not entirely off the cards that a private understanding between Hungary and Rumania, to rob Germany of excuse for demanding passage for her troops contributed to the final settlement.

## Kiel, Then and Now

Word of the proposed widening of Kiel Canal recalls the completion of a similar undertaking just twenty-five years ago when all Germany, jubilant in the pride of empire, proclaimed a national holiday to celebrate the event. It was June, 1914. The quays were bright with bunting. In the roadstead the grim armadas of the world's two mightiest sea powers rode serenely at their moorings. Launches shuttled back and forth between the gangways of German and British dreadnoughts in a friendly interchange of formal visits, while farther out in the bay, the American millionaire Morton F. Plant's schooner yacht Ingomar—with an Englishman at the helm—fought for the weather gauge in a series of spectacular sailing duels with Kaiser Wilhelm's giant schooner Meteor.

Outwardly all was peaceful. But beneath the imperial pomp and gay pageantry of this Prussian holiday ran an undercurrent of strange foreshadowing. Time and events were soon to trace across the pages of history the tragic meaning of the shots at Sarajevo on the last day of Kiel Week. No such significance need be attached to the intention of the Third Reich to enlarge this vital North Sea-Baltic link. Today, there is no such threat to Britain's dominion of the narrow seas as that which roared its cataclysmic challenge at Jutland less than a year after the final dress parade of the Kaiser's High Seas Fleet at Kiel. Yet since the event is related to German national defence in a time of international tension, it is not without diplomatic significance.



# CHINA MAIL

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## THE ENCHANTED NIGHT

"AND where exactly," demanded Adrienne, "do you suppose that we are? Beyond," she added, "the fact that we're stuck on this detestable mud bank with a falling tide."

From his seat by the tiller Mortimer looked across at her — at the lovely, though rather discontented, mouth; at the grey-green eyes; at the fair hair all tousled by the afternoon's wind. At last she said impatiently, "Well?"

"Well?" he said, "well, what? Do you know, something's just occurred to me—I don't think it matters a damn. Where we are, I mean."

"Are you by any chance," she said, "trying to be funny?"

He shook his head, smiling. "By no chance whatsoever. I was never more serious in my life. But since you evidently want a more definite answer, I'll give you one. I haven't the faintest idea." And he lit a cigarette.

"But — but," she began. "but what are we going to do?"

"Stop here," he replied, "for the night. We are aground exactly one hour after high water, which means that we shan't float again until about eight o'clock tomorrow morning. Let us, there-

here to-night, you and I."

"A game?"

"Yes, a game. What shall we call it? Cannibal Isle? Eden? It doesn't matter, but here it is — we're not here in Essex at all. We're right out of the world, thrown together and we've got to do something about it. This isn't an estuary mud-flat, it's the South Pacific. Look, Adrienne, those bushes, they're palm trees, and you're smelling poinsettia and hibiscus and it's not mud all round us but coral reefs. You're a woman, and I'm a man, and there's a great moon, big as a melon and soft as honey, coming up—look, you can see it, right over there."

"Aren't you," she said, "being rather absurd?"

"If being enchanted is to be absurd, yes I am. Perhaps I don't express myself very well, but there's something about this place, this night, about you, maybe."

"About me?" She stared at him, as though in astonishment.

"Yes, about you, the you that's standing here beside me, here on Cannibal Isle. No, don't laugh—

going to do?"

She answered, mock-serious, "I came to be cast here because we caught the same boat, and we caught the same boat because—well, why do people meet, anyway?" She paused, then added, "And what am I going to do? First—talk."

"And then?"

"We're on a desert island?"

"We are."

She looked him between the eyes. He thought she was very lovely in that soft twilight. She laughed. "What a lovely ridiculous game!"

"We're on a desert island. It's very quiet. We can hear nothing but the sea, smell nothing but the flowers. Nobody's here, nobody's ever been here before. There's a ridiculous moon to play a ridiculous game by. And after you've talked . . . ?"

"Then you shall make love to me—under the moon, and palms, and in sound of the surf."

"And your husband?"

"Would never believe it. And your wife?"

"Will be all the better for it. Adrienne?"

"Yes, darling."

"That was nice—the way you said Darling. But, Adrienne, something else. Do you believe in moments like this?"

"I—I don't know. I've never had any before." She gave a wry little laugh. "My husband—long, long ago he tried to make me believe in them. And then, somehow, suddenly—we couldn't be bothered any more. He started to take up a hobby. You know, to get his mind off other things, other things other things being me, I daresay. And I . . ."

"And you still hankered after coconut isles, and moonshine, and the something which hides behind stars, and dusks, and suddenly touches you so that you can't bear the enchantment of it? That it?"

"Yes," she whispered, "that's it. I suppose every woman. . ."

"And I suppose every man, too. Turns all too soon from that something, and takes to — fretwork, maybe, or tomato growing, or stamps."

"Stop," she cried, "please stop."

"Gladly." He passed her a cigarette and took one himself. Their faces were close in the globe of matchlight. He went on: "Sometimes, all too often, you lose things in this world which seem to be quite beyond recapture. You've lost that something which drove you to him and him to you—haven't you? Haven't you?" he repeated.

"Yes," she said. "I've lost that."

"And I've lost the same thing. We don't touch each other and thrill to that touch, my wife and I. Yet, Adrienne—"

"Yes?"

"Look at that water—it's like time, running away, down down, down the moon path into the bowl of the sun. But that's not what I was going to say. I was going to say, Adrienne, our hands can touch, and we'll thrill, your hand, Adrienne, and mine. We're on a coconut isle, and we've found

something new. Never mind how long it lasts, or when it ends, never mind where it began, or why. Take it."

She shivered. Her hand remained in his. "Yes," she whispered, "take it. Are we — are we stark, staring mad?" She suddenly burst out, "We are—mad, mad, mad. We'll be back in that awful hotel to-morrow we'll be the real you and the real me again."

For a long while he said nothing, and then he spoke slowly. "Adrienne, perhaps you'll never be that you, and I'll never be that me, ever, ever again."

"Why, what do you mean?"

"I mean—maybe this is the real you, something lovely, deliriously happy—you are, aren't you?—and all in a pool of moonlight. Maybe that's the real you, the you you should always remember. And the real me—maybe the romantic who makes love to a lovely, deliriously happy woman all set about with pools of moonlight."

"Those things don't last."

"They may not be sustained, but, Adrienne, they should last through being remembered—for ever."

It was almost dark. The tide had slipped away. They could hear it distantly, whispering in the channel. The moon, more gigantic than ever, swam in a pewter-coloured sky. No wind blew. They smelled the sea-lavender. Vast, specious, in giant and majestic perspective the moonlit world lay empty around them. "Just here," he said softly, "you have to whisper, for who knows what you may waken if you talk?"

"Whisper then—darling."

"Then kiss me."

She kissed him. "Breaking faith? With him?"

"Regaining it — with everything."

They fell asleep at last, but from time to time they awoke to whisper.

The moon sank. The moon fell low, then pitched and tumbled in a gathering vortex of cloud. The dawn was coming up. They shivered a little for the heavy dew.

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Short  
Story

By C. Gordon  
Glover

fore, put on our sea boots and paddle across to the island."

And he pointed to it, a low hummock of marsh and tussock, crowned with a dozen shrubs. It rose from the mud some hundred feet from where they lay.

"Buy we've nothing to eat."

"Enough. I've chocolate in my pocket, and there are biscuits in that locker."

He helped her over the side. She laid a hand on his arm, and together they floundered through the slime, reaching the shore in safety.

"Cannibal isle," he said, laughing, then added, "it might very well be for all the hope we've got of establishing contact with any one."

"We were idiots," said Adrienne, "to come so far. You might have known."

"Perhaps," he said, slowly, "I did know. Sometimes you know folly and rejoice in it. This afternoon was rather like that—I—I felt like sailing non-stop to Tahiti."

"And you landed on a mud bank ten miles from Southend." She gave a short little laugh. "Delightful."

He had left her, and was standing on the edge of the islet staring towards the sun. Suddenly he turned and said, "Don't you feel the enchantment of this place? Look at those marshes, like part of the primeval world. You can see the very first life stirring in them under a cold red sun. Look at them, Adrienne."

She shivered. "It's lonely, though."

"That's part of the enchantment, Adrienne. He rapped out the name curiously."

"Yes."

"There's a game we can play

it's serious. Perhaps there's something about me too. I'm not the person who's spending his holiday at that awful hotel—nor are you. For to-night, Adrienne, may be for ever, we're different people." He paused, and then "We've got to be," he cried, almost savagely.

"Perhaps you're right," she said and looked him in the eyes.

"Right? Of course I'm right. What are you in that hotel in London? I'll tell you. You're a wife and you aren't happy. You've got a thoughtless husband who doesn't understand you. You left him there to-day. I left a tiresome, disgruntled wife. I watched you at breakfast this morning. You hardly spoke to him, you toyed with your food, you sighed, you looked intolerably bored and rather plain in consequence. Didn't you?"

She smiled. "Maybe I was watching you too," she said.

"Oh, you were, eh? And what did you see?"

"Oh, a nervy, irritated man, sometimes glancing at his wife, but not more than he could help. Certainly not a happy person."

There was another pause. Then he said,—"

"What do people on South Sea islands do when they get together when a moon that size climbs up into the sky and there's nobody else in the world? What do they do?"

She laughed and laid a hand on his arm. "I'll tell you what these two people are going to do—eat. Got those biscuits?"

They sat down side by side, and seriously he divided the chocolate and biscuits between them. "Tell me," he said, "how did you come to be cast on a desert island with me? And, now that you are cast there, what are you

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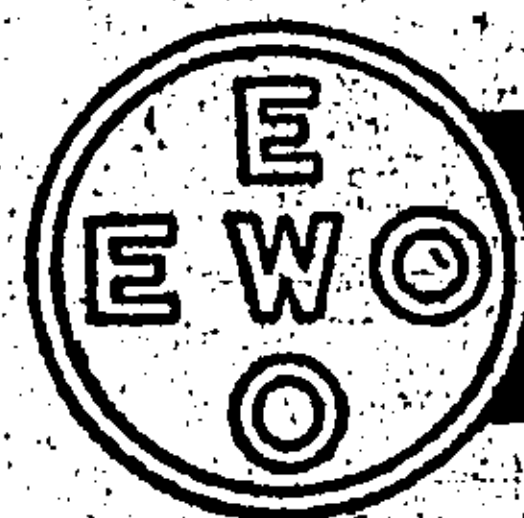
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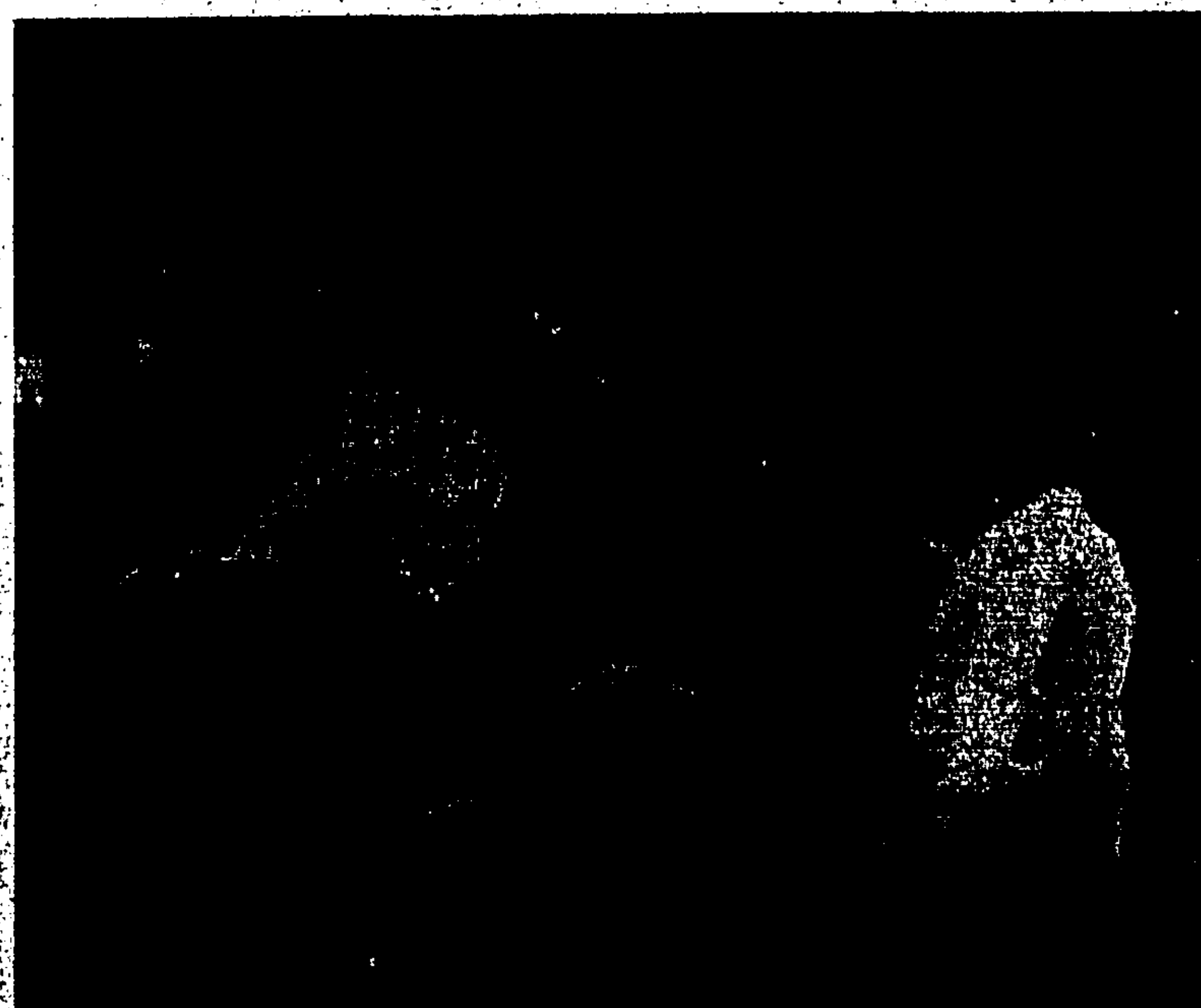


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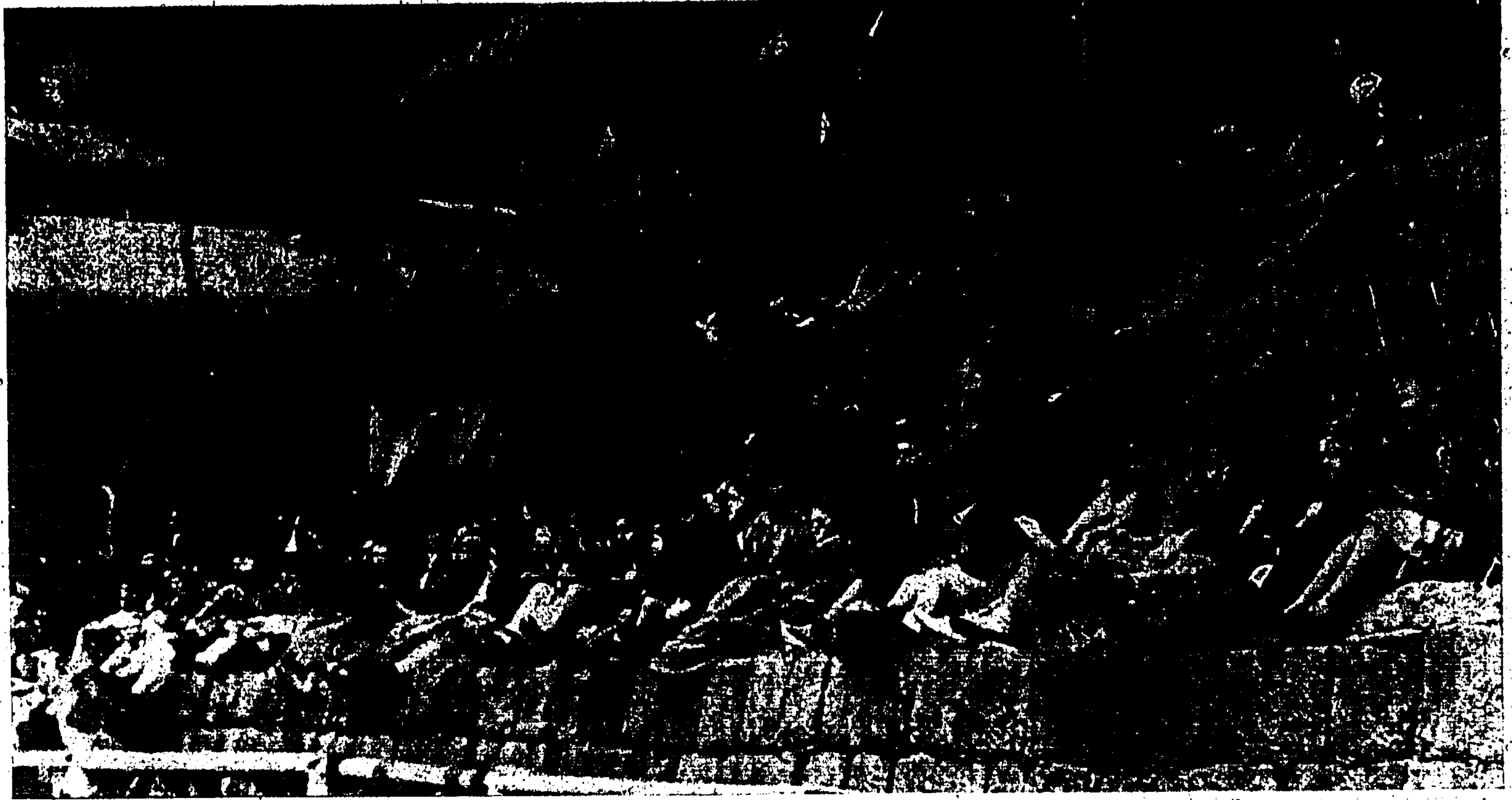
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The rival centre-halves clash in the England-China "Sunday Herald" Cup series. Leung Wing-chiu is about to kick the ball, with Bright on the ground.





Some of the large crowd which watched the Riding School sports at Tai Hang Road.



A small 'un but competent. Snapped at the Riding School sports.

## BISHOP'S PHILOSOPHY

One is not impressed by two of the dangers of marriage which Bishop Davis, of Buffalo, N.Y., advances. They are "the search for pleasure" and "the question of money."

The Bishop is too nice, too finicky, too analytical. It suffices to say that the danger of marriage is marriage.

Just as you are content to know that the danger of life springs from birth.



Mrs. A. C. Ellis with her wire-haired China-bred terrier, "Michael," at the Dog Show.



A youthful girl entry going over the sticks.

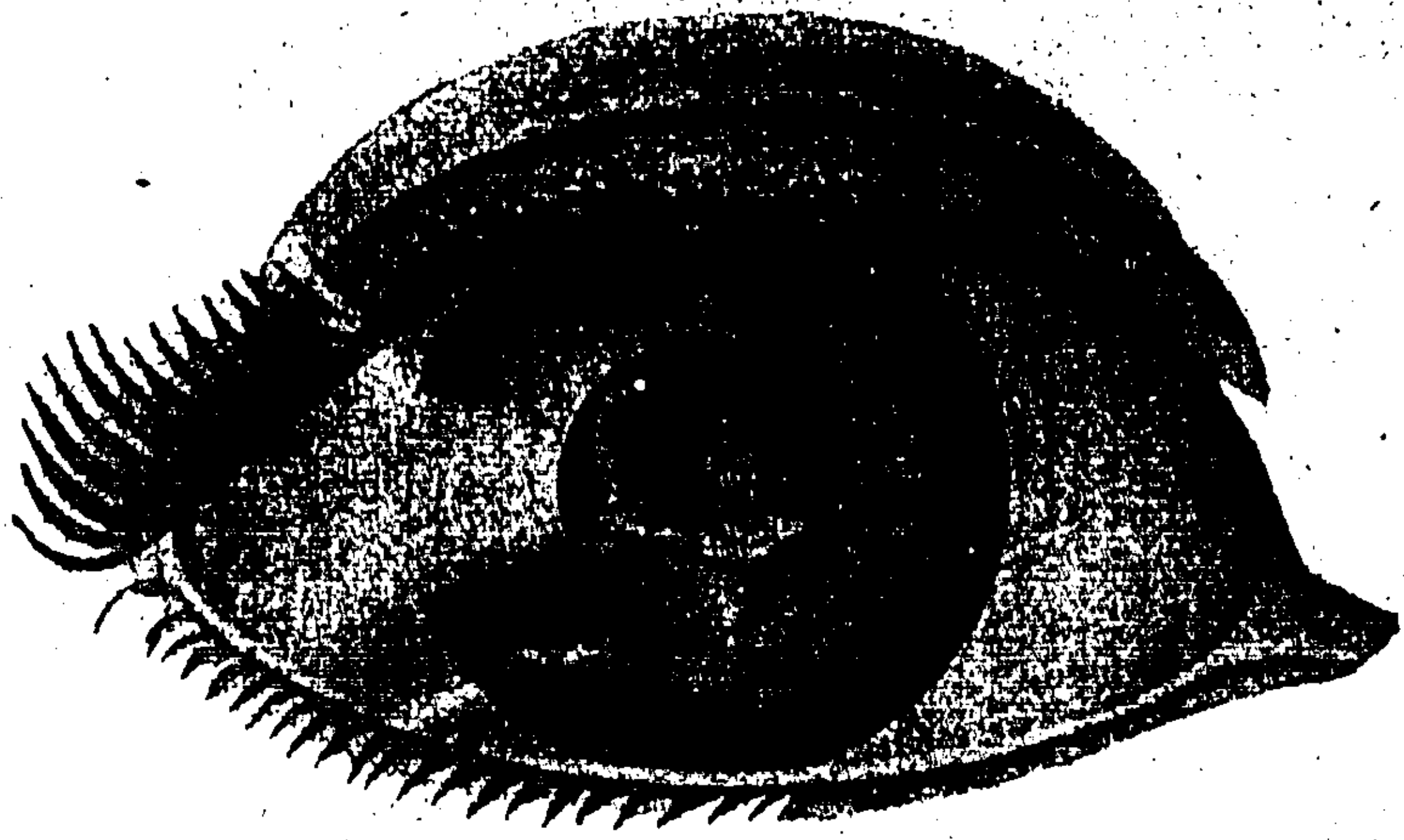
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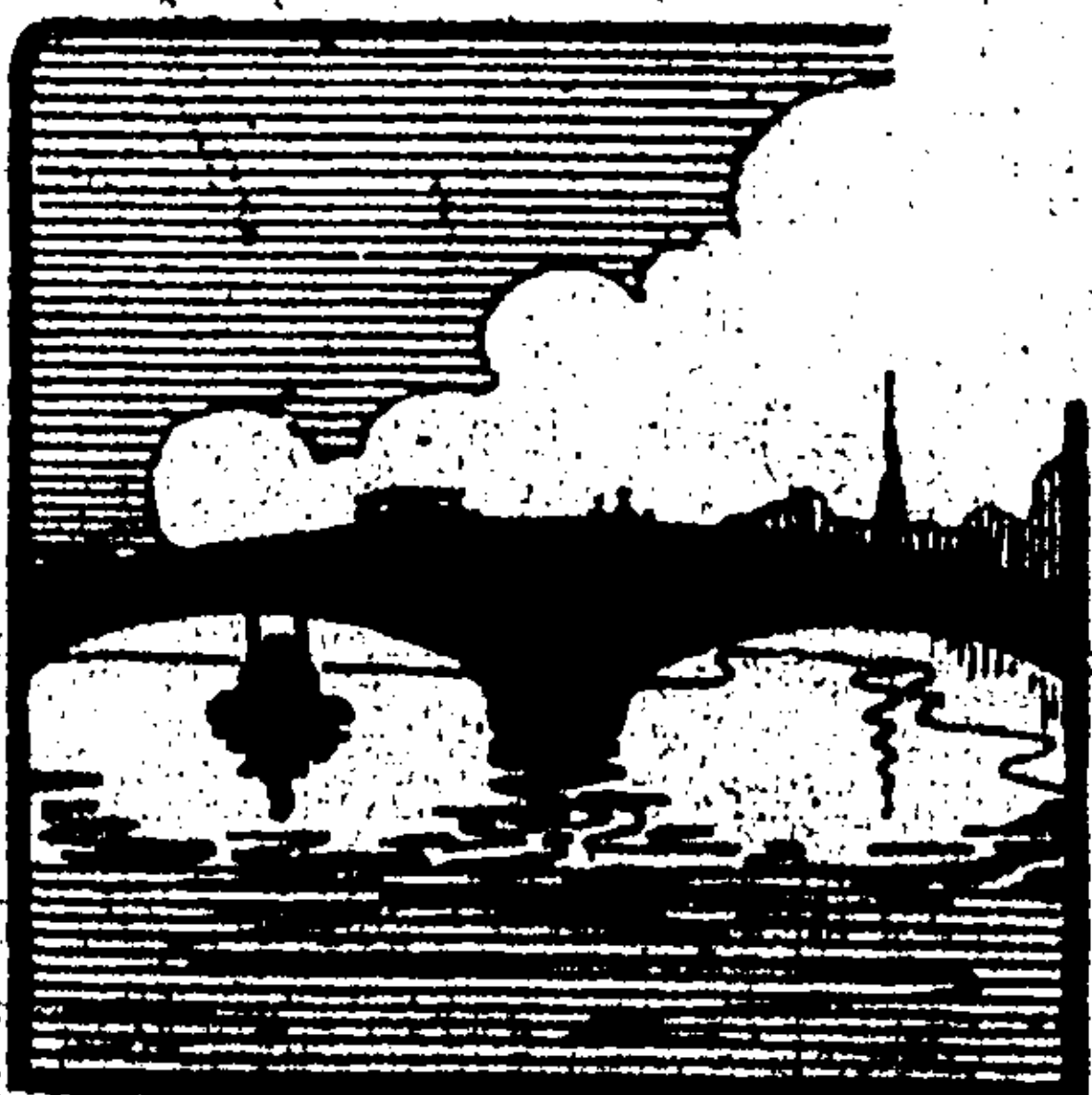
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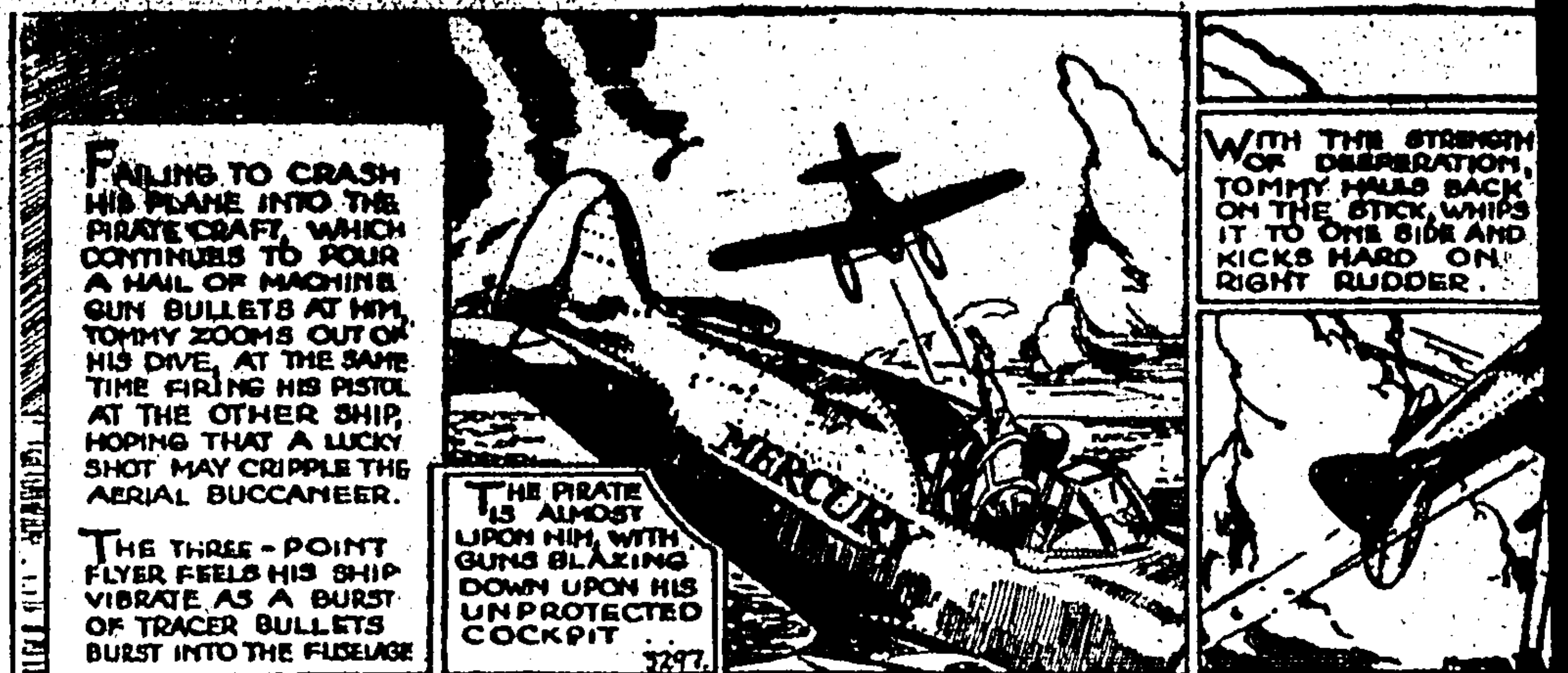


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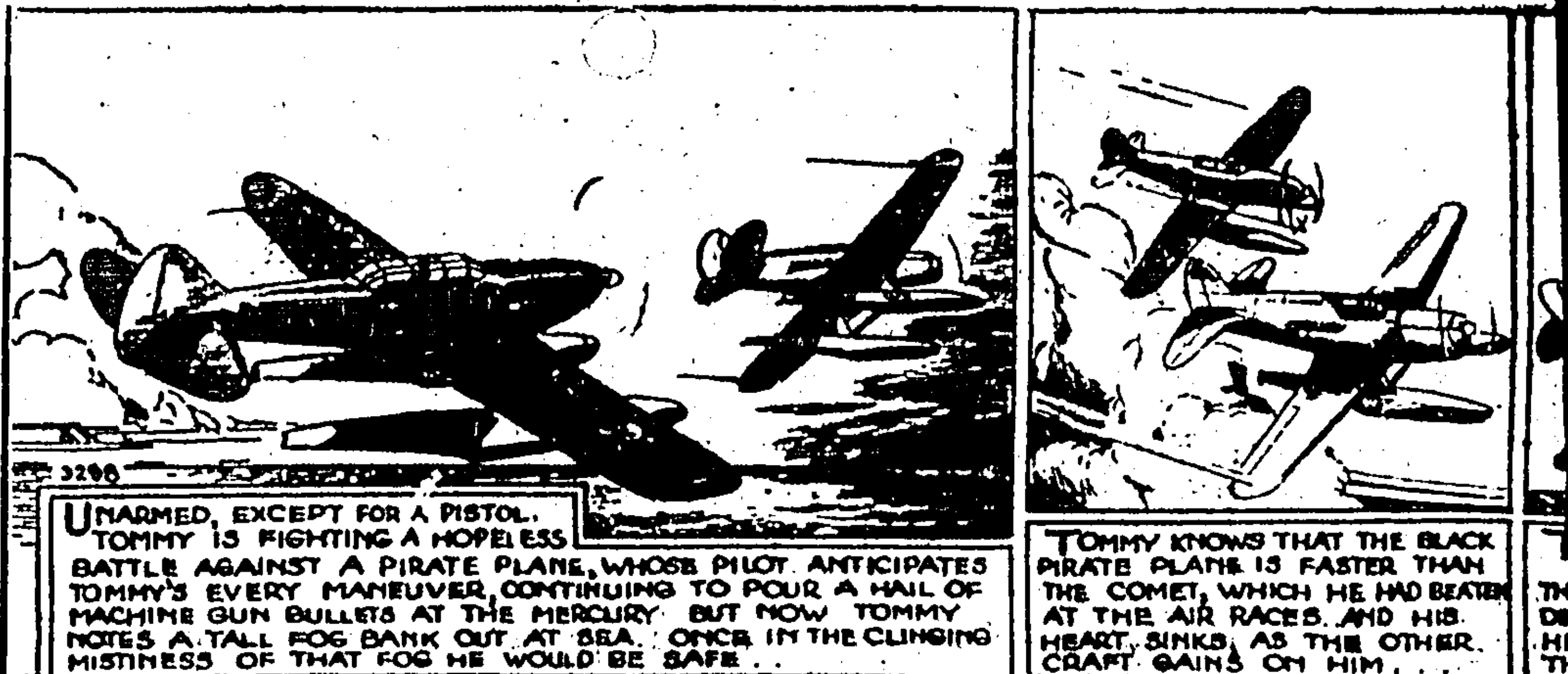


FALLING TO CRASH  
HIS PLANE INTO THE  
PIRATE CRAFT, WHICH  
CONTINUES TO POUR  
A HAIL OF MACHINE  
GUN BULLETS AT HIM,  
TOMMY ZOOMS OUT OF  
HIS DIVE, AT THE SAME  
TIME FIRING HIS PISTOL  
AT THE OTHER SHIP,  
HOPING THAT A LUCKY  
SHOT MAY CRIPPLE THE  
AERIAL BUCCANEER.

THE THREE-POINT  
FLYER FEELS HIS SHIP  
VIBRATE AS A BURST  
OF TRACER BULLETS  
BURST INTO THE FUSELAGE

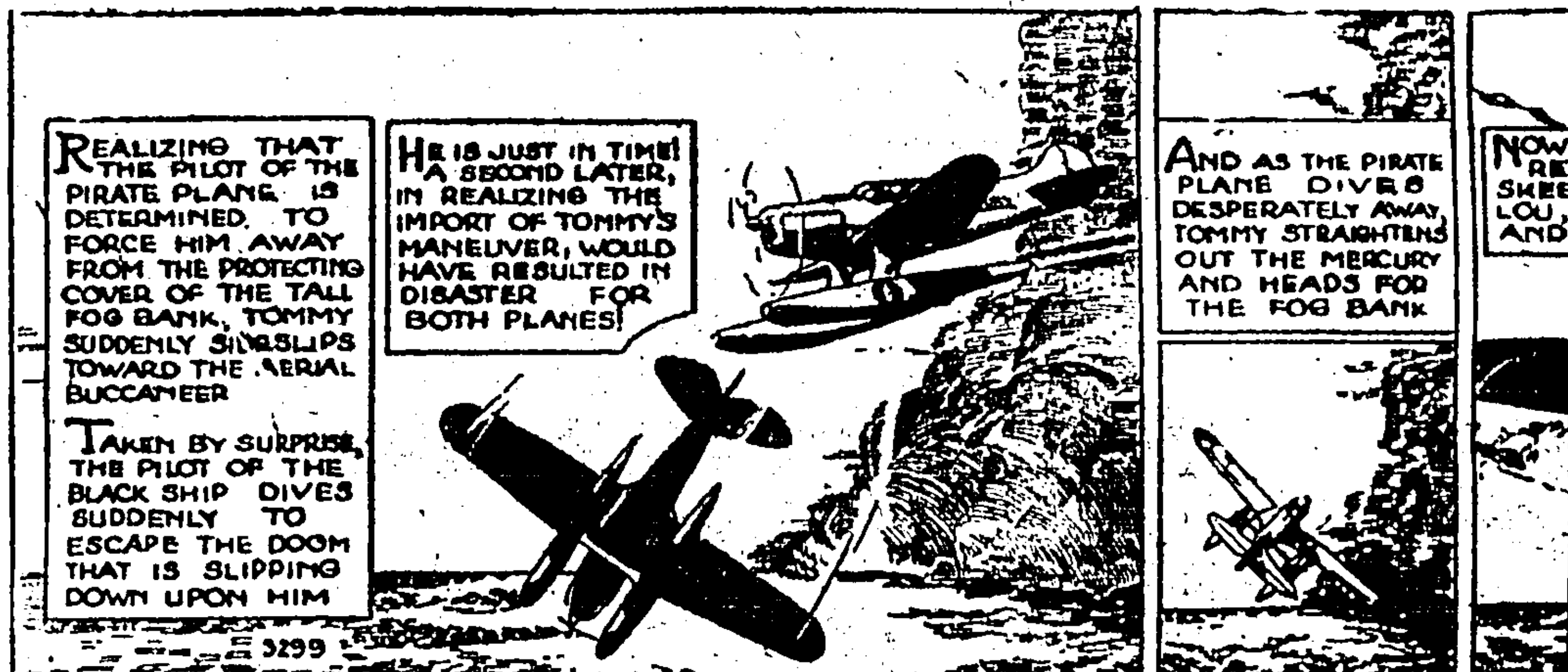
THE PIRATE  
IS ALMOST  
UPON HIM, WITH  
GUNS BLAZING  
DOWN UPON HIS  
UNPROTECTED  
COCKPIT

WITH THE STRENGTH  
OF DESPERATION,  
TOMMY HURLS BACK  
ON THE STICK, WHIPS  
IT TO ONE SIDE AND  
KICKS HARD ON  
RIGHT RUDDER.



UNARMED, EXCEPT FOR A PISTOL,  
TOMMY IS FIGHTING A HOPELESS  
BATTLE AGAINST A PIRATE PLANE, WHOSE PILOT ANTICIPATES  
TOMMY'S EVERY MANEUVER, CONTINUING TO POUR A HAIL OF  
MACHINE GUN BULLETS AT THE MERCURY. BUT NOW TOMMY  
NOTES A TALL FOG BANK OUT AT SEA. ONCE IN THE CLINGING  
MISTINESS OF THAT FOG HE WOULD BE SAFE.

TOMMY KNOWS THAT THE BLACK  
PIRATE PLANE IS FASTER THAN  
THE COMET, WHICH HE HAD BEATEN  
AT THE AIR RACES. AND HIS  
HEART SINKS AS THE OTHER  
CRAFT GAINS ON HIM.



REALIZING THAT  
THE PILOT OF THE  
PIRATE PLANE IS  
DETERMINED TO  
FORCE HIM AWAY  
FROM THE PROTECTING  
COVER OF THE TALL  
FOG BANK, TOMMY  
SUDDENLY SLIPS  
TOWARD THE AERIAL  
BUCCANEER.

TAKEN BY SURPRISE,  
THE PILOT OF THE  
BLACK SHIP DIVES  
SUDDENLY TO  
ESCAPE THE DOOM  
THAT IS SLIPPING  
DOWN UPON HIM.

HE IS JUST IN TIME!  
A SECOND LATER,  
IN REALIZING THE  
IMPORT OF TOMMY'S  
MANEUVER, WOULD  
HAVE RESULTED IN  
DISASTER FOR  
BOTH PLANES!

AND AS THE PIRATE  
PLANE DIVES  
DESPERATELY AWAY,  
TOMMY STRAIGHTENS  
OUT THE MERCURY  
AND HEADS FOR  
THE FOG BANK.

NOW  
RE-  
SLEE-  
LOU,  
AND



WE LEFT TOMMY  
WINNING HIS SHIP  
TOWARD PROTECTION  
OF A TALL FOG BANK,  
WITH THE PIRATE  
PLANE HOT UPON  
HIS TAIL. WILL  
TOMMY MAKE THE  
FOG BANK IN TIME?  
WE HOPE SO!

MEANWHILE, WE  
MUST RETURN TO  
SKEETS, BETTY-LOU,  
JERRY AND MARK,  
IN THE AMPHIBIAN!  
SOMETHING IS  
DEFINITELY WRONG  
HERE. FOR ALL  
ARE ASLEEP  
EXCEPT SKEETER.

AIR'S...KINDA  
...KINDA  
STUFFY...IN  
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# PRIME MINISTER'S STATEMENT

## Nazi Attempt To Dominate Europe Will Be Resisted

London, To-day.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, made his eagerly awaited statement on the international situation in the House of Commons yesterday.

Mr. Chamberlain said the Government had already made it clear that the German Government's recent actions had raised the question of whether Germany was not seeking by successive efforts to dominate Europe, and perhaps even go further.

If this interpretation of German intentions proved correct, the Government felt bound to say that as similar attempts had done in the past, this would arouse the successful resistance of this and other countries who prize their freedom.

Mr. Chamberlain was not yet able to make a statement on the consultations held with other governments as the result of recent developments.

"I wish to make clear," the Premier continued, "that there is no desire on the part of the British Government to stand in the way of reasonable efforts on the part of Germany to expand her export trade."

"Nor is this Government anxious to set up in Europe opposing blocs of countries with different ideas about the forms of their internal administration."

### THREAT OF FORCE

"We are solely concerned here with the proposition that we cannot submit to procedure under which independent States are subjected to such pressure under the threat of force as to be obliged to yield up their independence."

"And we are resolved by all means in our power to oppose attempts, if they should be made, to put such procedure into operation."—Reuter.

### NOT ABLE TO FORECAST

Replying to supplementary questions (says British Wireless), Mr. Chamberlain indicated he could not forecast when he would be able to report on the outcome of the present consultations with other governments.

## NEW SOVIET POLITBUREAU

Moscow, To-day.

The list of the new Soviet Political Bureau, just announced, includes Stalin, Andreyev, Marshal Voroshiloff, Zhidakov, Kaganovitch, Kalinin, Kikoyan, Molotov, Khrushchev, Beria and Shvernik.

Field-Marshal Bluecher, formerly commander-in-chief of the Soviet Far Eastern forces, is among the prominent personalities eliminated.—Reuter.

## HITLER LEAVES MEMEL

Berlin, To-day.

Hitler left Memel shortly before 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and embarked on a destroyer apparently to transfer to the "Deutschland."—Reuter.

## Italy To Press Claims

Berlin, To-day.

The "Frankfurter Zeitung" declares that Italy will press her claims against France "ever more strongly."

The paper adds that Germany regards every vital Italian demand as equal to a vital German demand.

If necessary, the two countries will fight together, but the paper expresses the hope and belief that Italy will get satisfaction without war.—Reuter.

## DEATH OF LOUIE FREEAR

London, To-day.

Mrs. Shepherd, formerly the famous musical comedy actress, Miss Louie Freear, died in London yesterday at the age of 67.—Reuter.

## SURRENDER OF MADRID IMMINENT

Burgos, To-day.

The surrender of Madrid is a matter of minutes rather than hours, according to a broadcast from Madrid radio station picked up here.—Reuter

Peace negotiations are believed to have reached an advanced stage.

## TOKYO STUDIES CHANGES IN FOREIGN POLICY

Tokyo, To-day.

A new foreign policy, which aims at conforming with the new situation in Europe arising from Germany's action in Czecho-Slovakia, is believed to have been discussed at a four-hour conference between the Premier and the Ministers for Foreign Affairs, War, Navy and Finance yesterday.—Reuter.

## PREMIER'S STATEMENT APPROVED

London, To-day.

Government supporters approve the tone and contents of Mr. Chamberlain's declaration in the House of Commons regarding the international situation.

They consider he could not have been more precise in present circumstances.

Critics of the Prime Minister in the Government ranks regard it as a strong and important declaration.

Several Opposition Labourites expressed satisfaction at the terms of the statement.

It was noted that after the statement, Labour and Liberal front-benchers asked no questions.

Only Mr. Aneurin Bevan, who is an associate of Sir Stafford Cripps asked challenging questions.—Reuter.

## CAR CRASHES INTO KOWLOON BEACON

Shortly after 1 a.m. this morning, a private car driven by Mr. F. K. Turner, of the Chinese Maritime Customs, hit the pedestrian island at the junction of Nathan Road and Austin Road, knocked a standard and damaging the car.

The driver sustained a slight cut over the eye and the cause of the accident is believed to be the foggy weather and greasy road.

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# GERMAN-RUMANIAN TRADE AGREEMENT

## German Participation In Oil Exploitation

### Free Zones In Country For Reich Interests

Berlin, To-day.

Arrangements of a very wide character are covered by the new German-Rumanian trade agreement, says a message from Bucharest.

Development of the enormous potential resources of Rumania, particularly in the direction of agriculture, is the main feature, and the supply of industrial equipment.

Intensification of products is anticipated, especially fodder, oil-seed, and fibre plant.

Attention will also be paid to forestry.

German machines and mining equipment will be supplied, and German-Rumanian companies will be formed to exploit copper, chromium and manganese.

Bauxite and aluminium industries will be founded.

A German-Rumanian company will promote mineral oil production and will execute a boring and distribution programme.

The two countries will co-ordinate their industries and will create free zones in which industrial and trade undertakings will be established.

#### GERMAN WAREHOUSES

Warehouses will be built for German shipping in the free zone, and delivery of war materials and armaments for the Rumanian army, navy and air force and armaments industries is included.

The agreement comes into force a month after ratification and is valid until March 31, 1944, and if not denounced a year earlier, will be prolonged indefinitely, subject to a year's notice, at the end of every fourth year. — Reuter.

#### NORMAL TRADE AGREEMENT

The Rumanian press refers to the agreement as a normal commercial development.

"No territory is demanded by Rumania and Rumania has no territory to yield to others."

Although negotiations to relieve the tension on the Hungarian border have resulted in partial withdrawal of troops, mobilisation continues, and a shortage of food is being experienced in the shops owing to a rush of people to hoard.

### DR. WOHLTAT HAS AN AUDIENCE

Bucharest, To-day.

After the conclusion of the German-Rumanian Trade Treaty, the chief German delegate, Dr. Wohltat, was received in a lengthy audience by King Carol. Dr. Wohltat left for Berlin on Thursday night. — Trans-Ocean.

### MEMEL'S FORMAL SURRENDER

Kaunas, To-day.

A member of the Lithuanian garrison met German military representatives at noon yesterday for formal handing over of Memel territory. — Reuter.

### BURNING RAT WITH KEROSENE

Liu Kan, 39, earth coolie, and Lau On, 25, bricklayer, were charged before Mr. T. J. Houston this morning, with cruelty to animals in Aberdeen.

Sergeant A. F. Estall said defendants were seen burning a rat with kerosene oil.

A fine of \$5 or 14 days was imposed on first defendant and \$3.75 or 14 days on second defendant.

### EUROPEAN FINED

Mr. W. E. Peers, of No. 7 Causeway Hill, was summoned before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest this morning, for speeding.

A traffic Sergeant said defendant drove along Hennessy Road at an excessive speed. The road was fairly clear at the time.

A fine of \$10 was imposed. Mr. E. O. Reprich, of No. 295 Prince Edward Road, was fined \$5 for driving in a closed road, in Kennedy Road on March 8.

### FITTER'S LAPSE

After serving 17 years at the Kowloon Dock and having a good record as a fitter, Wong Fuk, 30, was charged with larceny of a brass watercock (found tied between his legs with string) before Mr. E. Himsworth at Kowloon this morning.

When asked if he could pay a \$10 fine, he said that he could do so with a little time. He was allowed 24 hours.

### MORE RAIN EXPECTED

The Royal Observatory reports that the anti-cyclone now covers South Japan and the Bonin Islands, and another has formed over North China. Depressions are moving eastward over Korea and the Eastern Sea. Pressure remains relatively low over Siam.

Local forecast: — E. and N. E. winds, moderate to fresh; overcast, local mist and rain.

### "CONCEIVED IN FRIENDLY SPIRIT"

Berlin, To-day.

The German-Rumanian Economic Agreement is greeted by German circles as an arrangement "conceived in a friendly spirit, doing justice to the economic interests of the two countries, and providing for prolific co-operation between them."

The agreement proves, it is stated, that reason "and political necessities" ultimately triumph over irrationality and the machinations of those politicians and statesmen who, in the disguise of "Fathers of their people" are chiefly concerned in misleading the smaller countries among them.

"While in London certain politicians and mischief-makers were permitting themselves to be deceived by the Rumanian Minister there and lending themselves as tools of certain 'diplomats' in their campaign against a tranquillisation," writes the "Deutscher Dienst," "German and Rumanian experts had already reached an agreement to bring a boldly conceived plan to a conclusion."

"The unscrupulous methods of these people in London are now unmasked. They intended not to let South Eastern Europe settle down to peace and order, and this is in sharp contrast to the German-Rumanian treaty which represents a genuine contribution to the resuscitation and sound direction of the economic life of Europe and to a large degree serves the general tranquillisation of Europe." — Trans-Ocean.

### COTTON SURPLUS LEGISLATION POSTPONED

Washington, To-day.

Congressional leaders have agreed to delay the legislation dealing with the cotton surplus, and instead will attempt to co-operate with the Secretary for Agriculture, Mr. Henry A. Wallace, on some plan, announced Senator Bardley yesterday.

However, Senator George is still insisting on Senate approval of his resolution unless he is assured that the Administration will drop the export subsidy plans. — Reuter.

### MR. HUDSON SEES LITVINOFF

Moscow, To-day.

The Secretary of the Department of Overseas Trade, Mr. R. S. Hudson, who is heading the Trade Delegation to Moscow, called at the Soviet Foreign Office last evening for his first conversations with M. Litvinoff. — Trans-Ocean.

### CASH REGISTER "FOUND"

Four Sanitary coolies, and a refuse car driver, appeared before Mr. Q. A. Macfadyen this morning charged with larceny by finding of a "National" cash register, valued at \$480, the property of the Nathan Hotel.

In connection with the case, Mak Kan, a furniture dealer, of Temple Street, and a grocer, Po King, of No. 110, Queen's Road Central, were charged with receiving.

All pleaded not guilty.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ will represent the furniture dealer and grocer when the case is heard at 2.30 p.m. on March 30.

### PRISON FOR FRAUD ATTEMPTS

Mak Sum, alias Mak Kwan-wai, alias H. I. Tam, alias K. K. Choy, 28, was again brought before Mr. R. Edwards this morning, charged with obtaining a portable typewriter from Wang Brothers and Company, and one from Carlowitz and Company, by false pretences.

Defendant was sentenced to one month's hard labour, and to pay \$50 compensation to the Wang Brothers or another one month, and \$50 or a further one month on the second charge.

Det.-Sergeant Allen prosecuted.

### PARKING OFFENCES

Lt. C. E. Godby, of the R.A.F., was this morning fined \$5 by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen when summoned for leaving his car unattended in Salisbury Road on March 4 between 11 a.m. and 12 p.m.

Messrs. W. F. Webb, of College Road, P. A. Waller, of Benjamin and Potts, and J. Krofta, of Minden Avenue, were each fined \$4 for a similar offence.

For driving without having an appropriate driver's licence in Nathan Road on February 25, Private Morgan, of the Middlesex Regiment, Shamshuipo, was fined \$5.



# News Snack Bar

## NEW JOBS FOR OLD IN WEEK

City where there are no youngsters out of work that's London. Last year more than half the boys who lost their jobs had new ones within a week. The number of juvenile vacancies filled in 1938 was 145,559, nearly 1,000 more than in 1937.



Three New York men are completing some of the most remarkable moving models yet produced, for the New York's World Fair. They are Messrs Messmore (Senior and Junior) and Damon, and their models have amazed many people. A gathering of jockeys and sportsmen declared that their stainless steel model of a horse "galloped" without fault. Photo shows Mr. Messmore junior with a working model of Popeye.

All that is stated in the annual report of the London Regional Advisory Council for Juvenile Employment.

The council emphasises the importance of the local education authorities around London adopting a common procedure for granting exemptions when the school-leaving age is raised to fifteen on September 1 this year.

### EX-DEAN'S FRAUDS

#### TO FEED WIFE—GAOL

Former Dean of Perth (Australia), Henry Frederick Mercer, sixty-seven, of no fixed address, a Master of Arts and Bachelor of Literature, at Rhyl admitted five cases of fraud and was sent to prison for six months.

Mr. J. H. M. Owens, defending, told the magistrates that Mercer found himself in 1930 in this country without friends, work or money, and had to descend to fraud to provide food for his wife and himself. Mr. Owens said that Mercer was ordained in 1895 and went to Australia in 1905, becoming vicar of a



Here's MUSSOLINI, But Where's his Boss?

If you want to find him turn the page upside down.—Marianne.

### £1,144 GEMS

The jewellery of Mrs. Madeleine Tanfield, whose husband, an alleged share-pusher, is serving seven years' penal servitude for fraud, realised £1,144 in a London auction. The jewellery represented what remained of the Tanfield fortune. Mrs. Tanfield is still before the Bankruptcy Court.

## TOOK 400 FARTHINGS CHARGE

Charged with stealing 400 farthings contributed by the children of the Church of All Saints, Ipswich, Frederick William Death, of Angelsea-road, Ipswich, was committed for trial at the Ipswich Quarter Sessions by the Ipswich magistrates.

The Rev. Frank Mitton, vicar of All Saints, said:—"Each child brings farthings to church. When they number 6,000, they go to the diocesan fund."

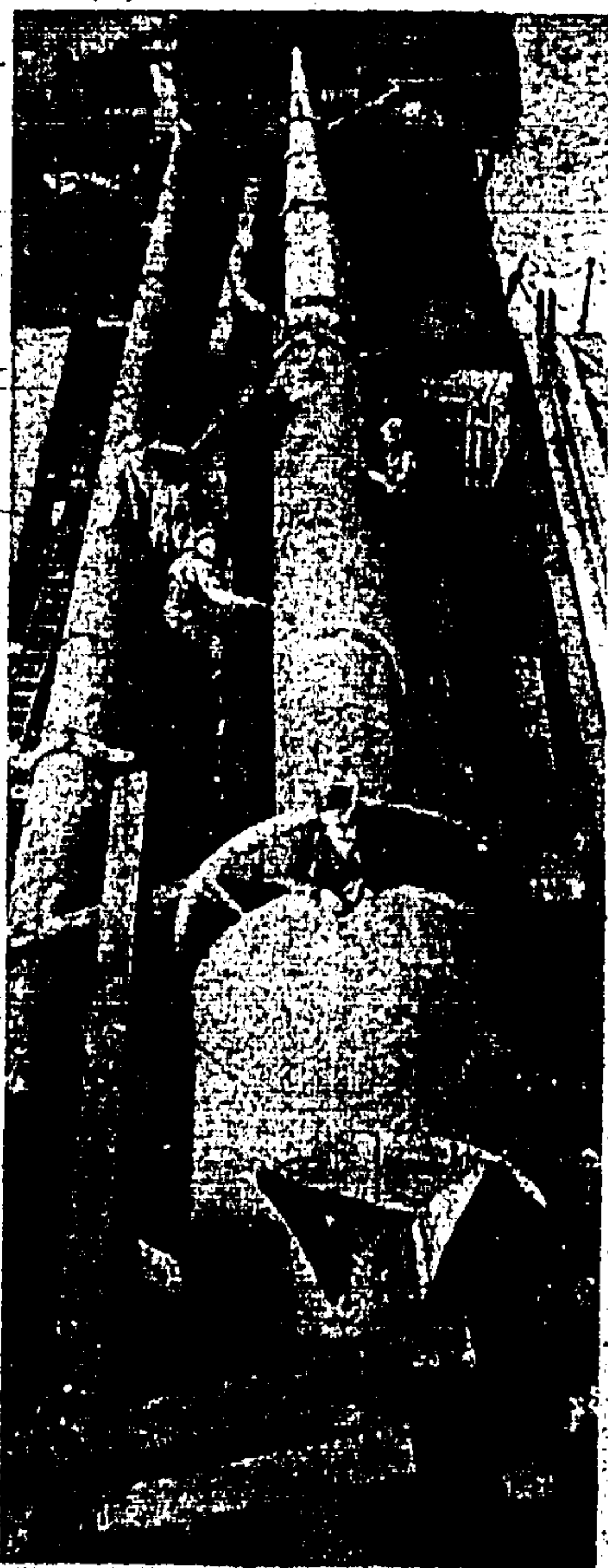
### ROYAL DUKE TO

#### BILLET CHILDREN

The Duke of Connaught told Bagshot (Surrey) Rural Council that he is prepared to arrange accommodation for 170 to 200 children at Bagshot Park, his Surrey residence, in connection with the A.R.P. evacuation scheme.

## £840 BARGAIN

A three-row necklace composed of 249 pearls, with a square cluster diamond snap, believed to have been given by Ludwig I of Bavaria to his favourite, Lola Montez, was auctioned in London for £840—a bargain.



STEEL MAST FOR NEW MAURETANIA.—Five thousand Mersside workmen are nearing the end of their task of building the 34,000-ton Mauretania at Birkenhead. The Mauretania is now ready for the fitting of her engines and main foremast. Photo shows men at work on the steel foremast for the Mauretania. It is 160ft. long and 30 inches in diameter at the base.

### "OLDEST INHABITANT" OF THE EARTH

A fish of a species believed to have been extinct for 50,000,000 years has been caught forty fathoms beneath the surface off East London, South Africa.

Described by scientists as "of absolutely incalculable value," the fish is 5ft. long, weighs 127lbs., and is of a brilliant steel blue. The fish has no bones, but a cartilage. Its fins and scales are of the most primitive. Similar fishes were abundant 100,000,000 years ago.

This fish belongs to a species of about the Palaeozoic or early Mesozoic period—the "old" or "middle" life periods when the oceans were hot and animals as we know them had not yet evolved, and the ice ages were further off in the future than they are in our past... Bones had not developed and probably nothing lived on what land there was.

### STOCKINGS WITH ZIP POCKETS

Silk stockings shown in New York have zip-fastener pockets in the "suspenders-top." These, it is claimed, are the safest places in which to keep banknotes or vanity cases. They cost 9s. a pair.

church at Melbourne and later Dean of Perth. He came over with the Australian troops in 1915 as a chaplain, and later he became lecturer at an English university.

Rail chiefs are sorry that they did not wait till the spring to launch their "Square Deal" campaign. Bad weather conditions, added to the usual inefficiency on so many services, have led to an enormous number of delays. Passengers have complained in their thousands.

A new "gold rush" is anticipated in Australia as a result of recent prospecting on the famous "golden mile." Boring suggests the existence of 1,500,000 tons of "payable ore."

Lord Londonderry, under a cloud for his failure at the Air Ministry, from which he departed in 1933, and for his pro-Nazi sympathies, is staging a come back. For a start, he will lead an Ulster campaign against Irish unity.

Parties to political big-wigs will be given at Londonderry House, in which his lordship hopes will lead to the restoration of the mansion to its place as centre of Tory social life.

### PRIVATE ADOPTS SERGEANT'S BABY

In a paternity case before the Whitehill, Hampshire, magistrates, Private Hudson, 15th Battalion, Duke of Wellington's Regiment, Bordon, voluntarily assumed responsibility for the child of Sergeant Francis George Coleman, Royal Engineers.

Sergeant Coleman applied for variation of an affiliation order made against him last March for payment of five shillings a week to Mrs. Hudson, who was then single, for the upkeep of the child.

Private Hudson said he had no objection, and he asked for the cancellation of the order as he had since, by marrying the child's mother, legally adopted the child.

Questioned as to the advisability of his action, Hudson said he would be receiving an allowance from the Army.

The Court consented to the cancellation conditionally on Mrs. Hudson being able to restore the order if events required it.

### RUSH FOR VATICAN STAMPS

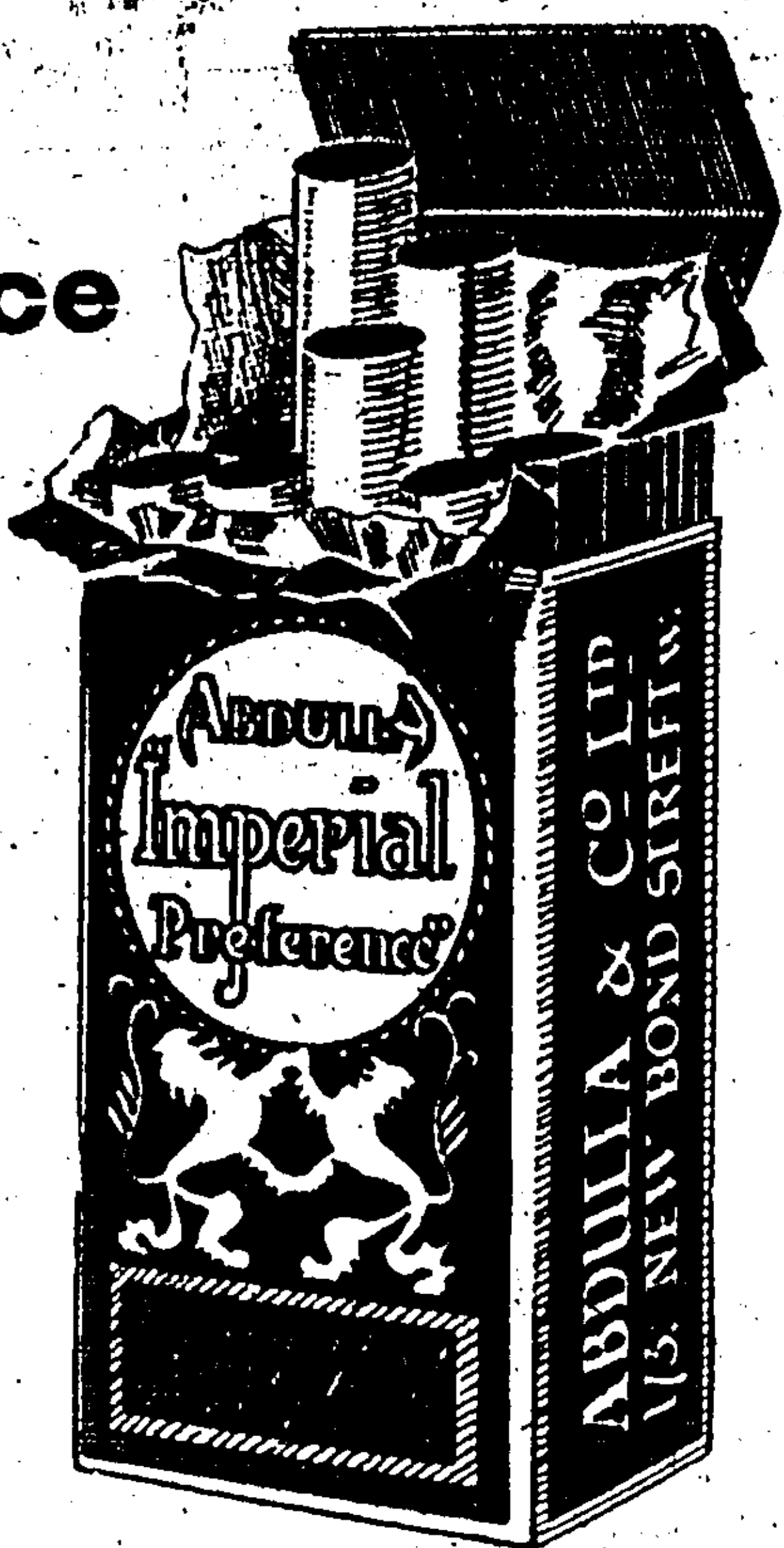
A large crowd flocked to the Vatican Post Office to buy the newly issued Vatican stamps bearing the portrait of Pius XI. The stamps were issued on March 24, marking the death of Pope Pius XI and the election of Pius XII.



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# THE "SHANGHAI"

A DOZEN years ago the liberal British journalist, Arthur Ransome, coined a catchy phrase, "The Shanghai mind." Mr. Ransome didn't care much for the "Shanghai mind" as he then saw it. It stood for everything reactionary. It coined money out of the Chinese and despised those same Chinese as it did so. It enthroned the white man in a complacent, gunboat-protected, treatyport overlordship, and with stubborn blindness resisted everything that stood for progress.

The other night I heard a visiting American historian address a private gathering of American missionaries and businessmen. Among other things he expressed surprise at the change wrought in the Shanghai mentality since his last visit several years ago and he said that henceforth he must evaluate the expressed desires of this community on a different basis since he now realized the nature and extent of the change.

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It appears that one of the several really constructive results of the China hostilities has been to bring the missionaries and the businessmen close together, and to liberalize spirits in all quarters. It is to be doubted whether there really was a "Shanghai mind" in the old sense, although that phrase came in handy

to describe a type of die-hard mentality; to-day there certainly is a quite definite "Shanghai mind" tempered by hardship and hammered into more liberal concepts. What is more, the mentality in question is really international in essence — something never before seen here despite all the descriptions of Shanghai as an "international city," and the labeling of the major portion of foreign Shanghai as an "International Settlement."

Contrary to what seems to be the general opinion in home countries, foreign Shanghai has never of recent years demanded much in the

way of protection elements. To-day great in magni

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## The Axis Powers Not Win A War

There is a widespread notion that Rumania, Hungary, Bulgaria and Yugoslavia are now fated to fall under the influence of Germany and Italy and that nothing can stop the totalitarian Powers from eventually getting supreme control, without troubling about the acquisition of territory. Mr. Graham Hutton in his book, "Danubian Destiny" (Harper) gives the facts of the situation, and his expert knowledge as a distinguished economist stands him in good stead for a survey of this character. His book is of absorbing interest. In his chapter on "The New Danubia" he writes:—

"German and Italian strategy has long been based on the assumption that (a) a general European war, or a war in the West, should at all costs be avoided by a diplomacy that threatens war merely in order to secure peaceful successes; and (b) that should a general European war break out, involving Italy along with Germany, it must be a war in which every kind of 'frightfulness' must be employed at the outset in order to secure a rapid decision (not, as in the Great War, progressively as the war wound its way along).

"This second contingency is responsible for the Italo-German policy of building up enormous reserves of foodstuffs, industrial raw materials, armaments, munitions, armies, etc. If these resources thrown into the scales of war at the outset, are sufficiently large they can be expected suddenly to overwhelm the combined resources of Britain and France by more than, let us say, the four-to-one ratio of superiority needed by the offensive in modern war.

### THE RUDEST AWAKENING

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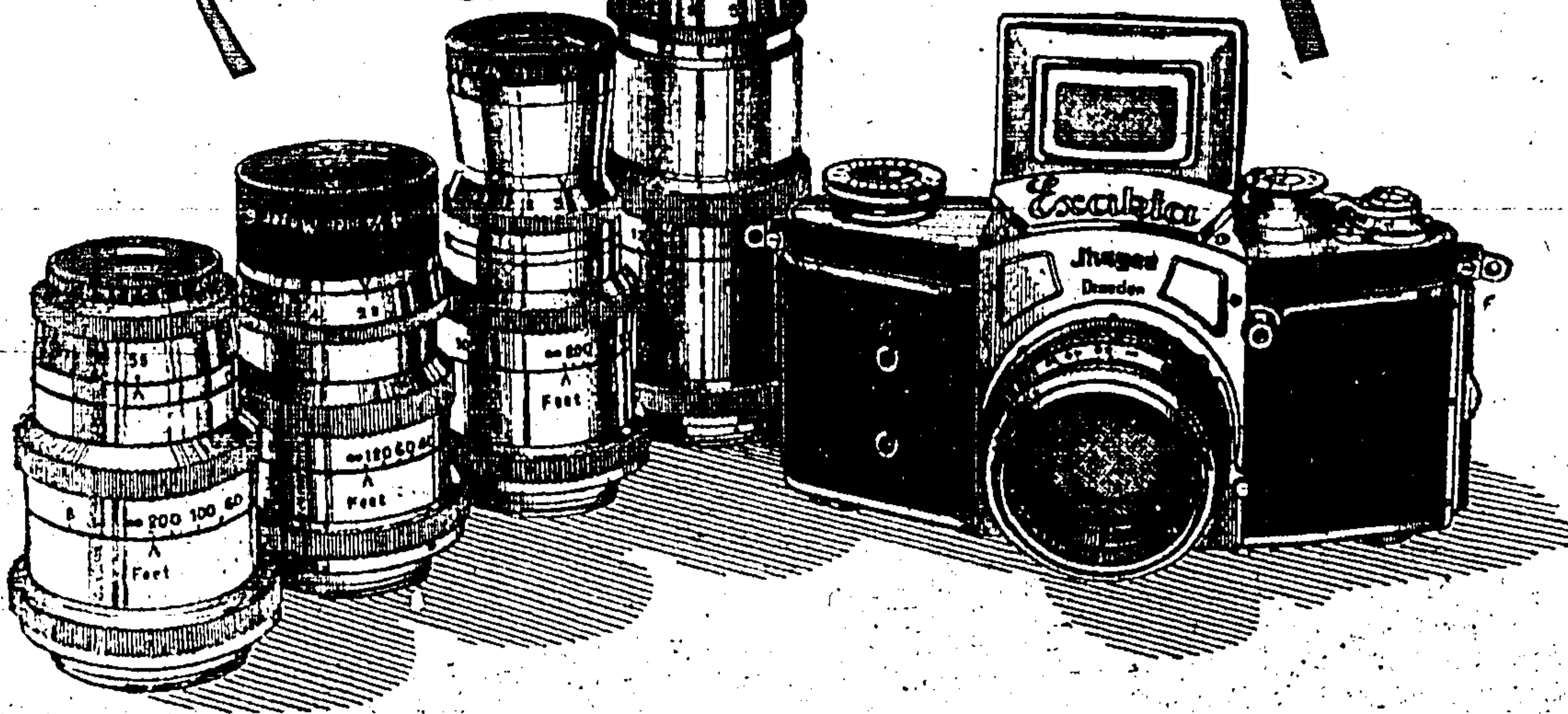
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"As long as French Navies co ing and supplyin peoples and indu products of the A nions, Africa and ability of Britain be kept down to the air alone. have to evacuate sia and Nice and and Germany, tog Switzerland, over Belgium and De Africa, dig then this would be a job!) in Spain, political and eco the New Danubi and the Near E would not bring Staff officers ter

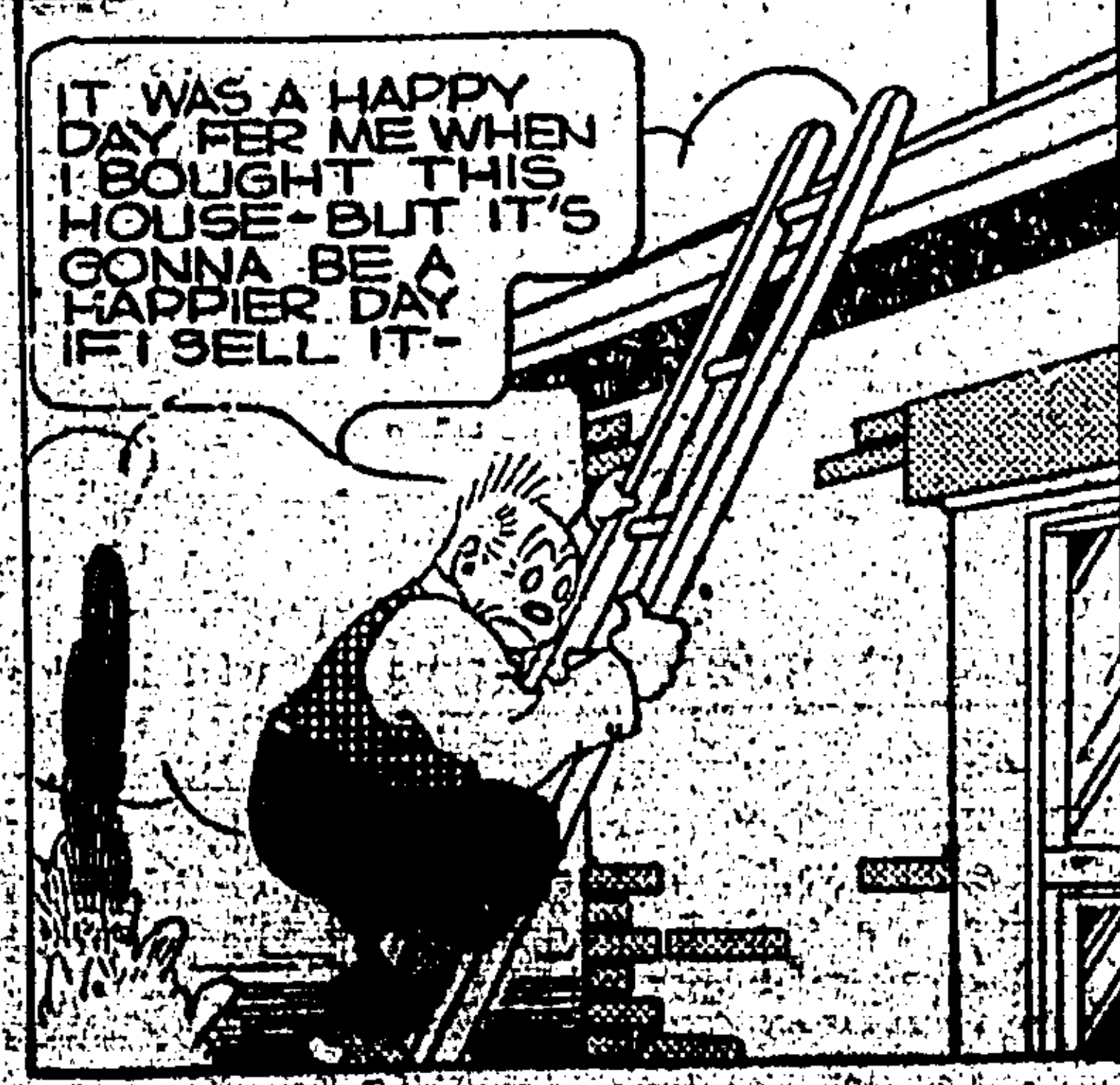
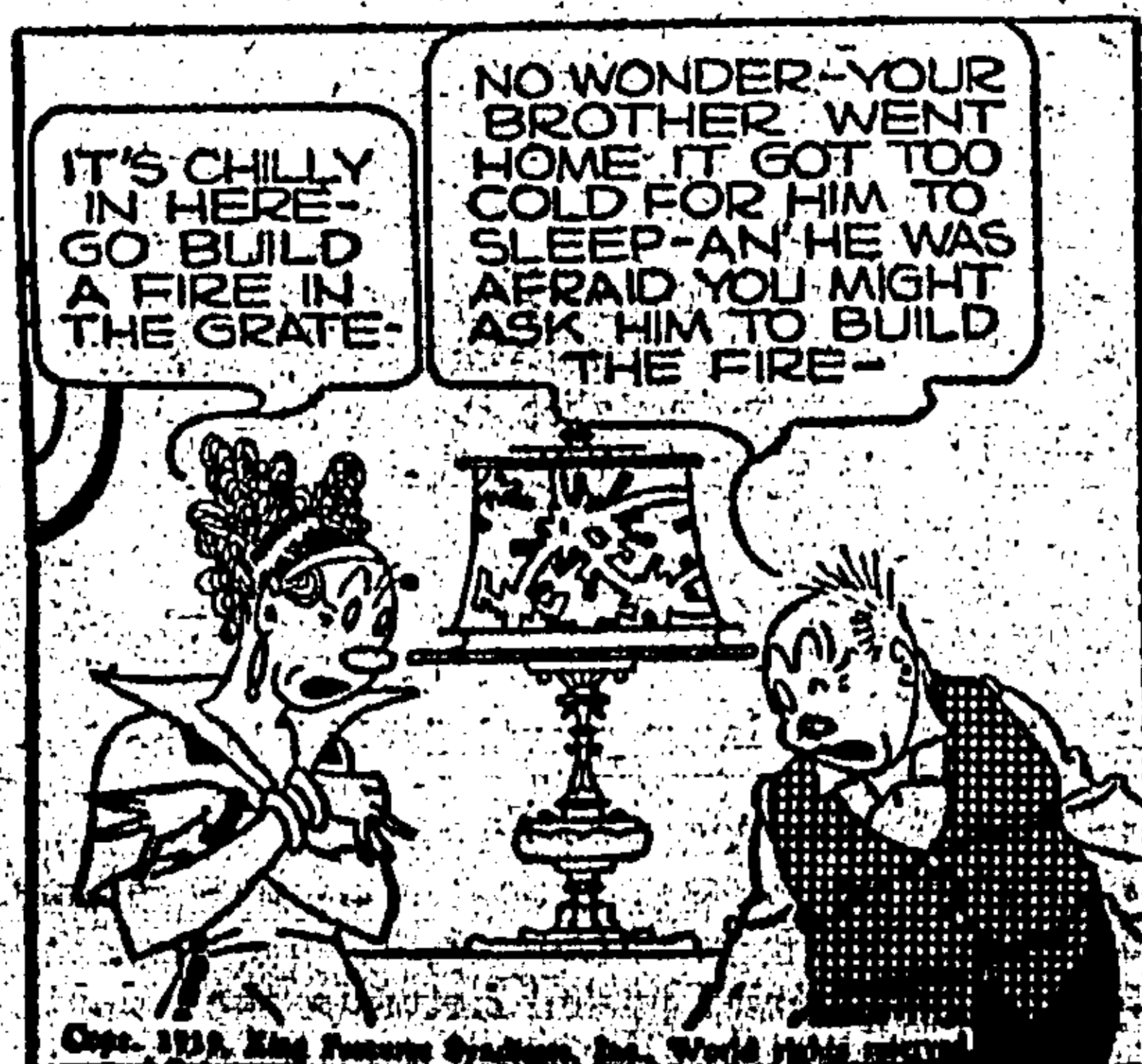
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That fact was faced on August 14, 1937, if never before; and a good many Shanghai foreigners on that day quaked in their boots for hours, weighed things, and decided to stick. It was clear on that day, when Chinese and Japanese artillery opened up and warplanes flew over dropping bombs—two mishaps on that day cost more than 2,000 human lives within the International Settlement—that all the warships on the Whangpoo and all the marines as-

more couldn't do a thing if either contending army concluded it would be advantageous to blast foreign Shanghai off its mud flat.

That day and the three months that followed summed up to a whole-some experience for a great many Shanghai residents who refused to stampede out. They felt, in the first place, that their choice to remain was a matter of principle, not merely of immediate selfish interest—for not one person who could leave, and didn't, but was certain he was making a very unsafe choice. The uncertainties of the situation were incredible, viewed in retrospect, and the certainties were none too appealing. Again, all these people in what proved to be after all reasonably safe foreign areas were left in a state of mind to sympathise with the Chinese under airbombing in definitely unsafe Chinese territory.

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That state of mind continues. There has been no "gold rush" since hostilities moved away from Shang-

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ut their indus- services to meet e last, may, it is rian States, re- taking of their

hold their fortified land fronts, feed their machines and men, and hem the two Axis Powers in by naval actions within the confines of the Western front, the Baltic and Black Seas, and Russia—then, however frightful and barbaric be the cost of such a war, the Axis Powers could not win.

"THEY COULD NOT WIN"

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"Of the frightful cost to civil populations, ethical and economic standards, human life and culture on both sides, we cannot take account here. But, viewed dispassionately as a scientific case, the strategic factor, apparently so favourable to the post-Munich over- lords of all Europe beyond the Rhine and Alps, does not seem so in fact.

"It is terrible comment on our civilization that we should have to conclude thus: in so-called peace, such as that through which we are at present passing, all the elements of the strategic lay-out in the New Europe redound to the advantage of Germany and Italy, either or both; for these two powers employ those elements in a concerted diplomacy.

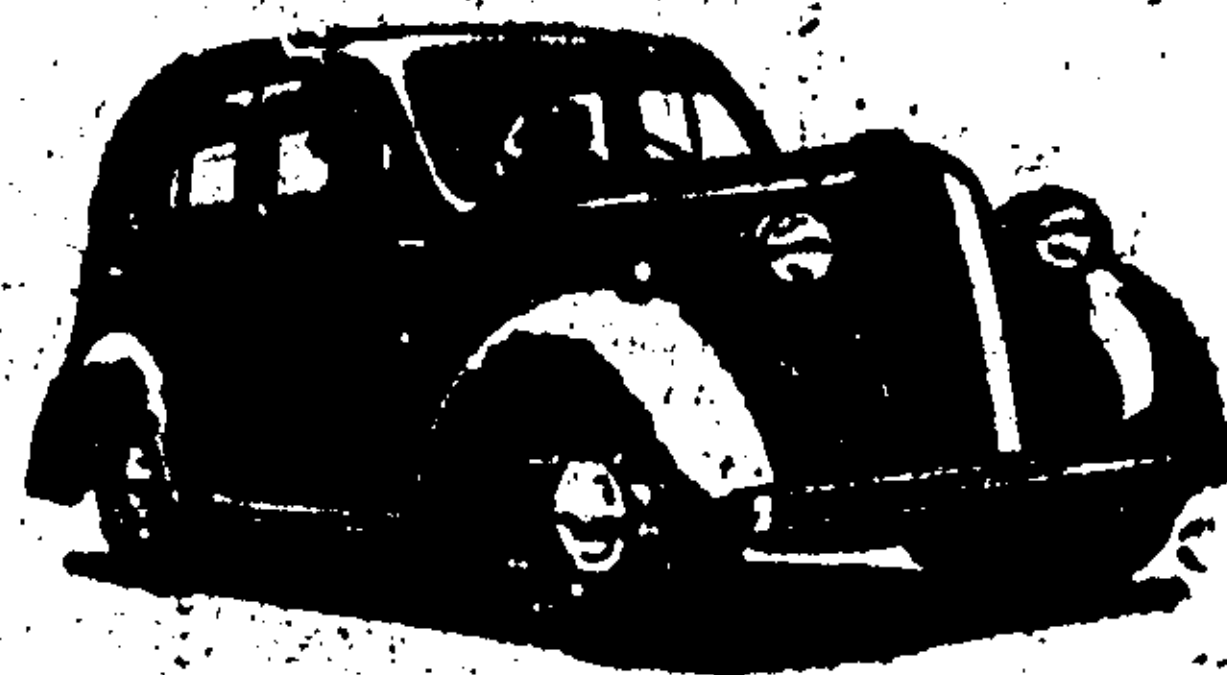
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hai, for the Japanese have kept this city so insulated from its trading hinterland that profits have not returned. On the contrary, the currency has depreciated, business has been stagnant, and the best anyone could do was sit tight in hope of a better time. Few newcomers have arrived. The town is sophisticated on the subject of war, but not hardened—quite the contrary.

Rather remarkably, extremes of crisis have increased a feeling of moderation on the part of most Shanghai residents. The problems of home governments are comprehended, and no drastic remedies are demanded. Shanghai has bought a great deal of knowledge in the school of experience at a high price, and perhaps the new "Shanghai mind" is a sound purchase.

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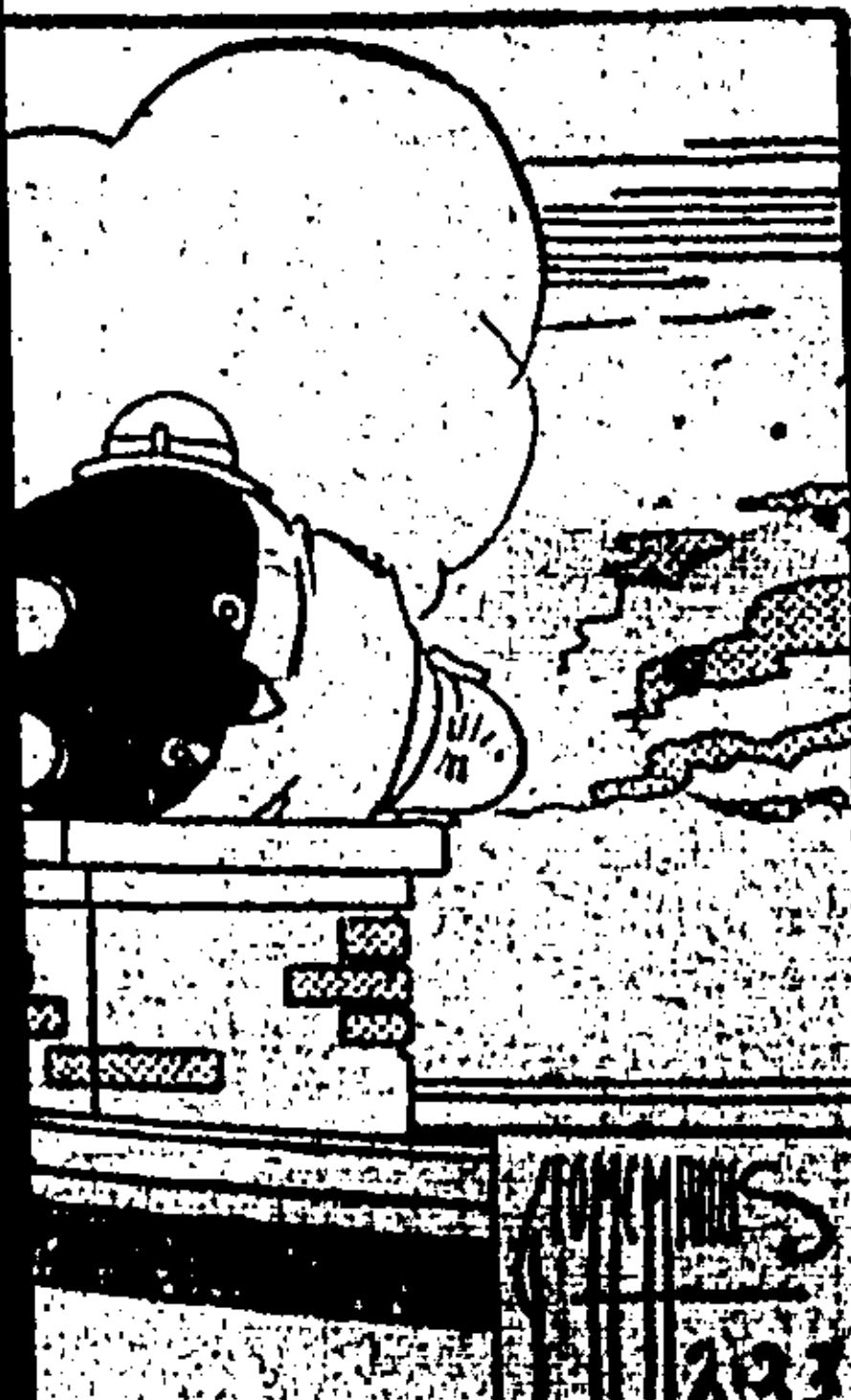
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## Beauty and You

by PATRICIA LINDSAY

### Exercise For Fun And Keep Body Supple

If adults would take a lesson from children, who get their exercise from play, there would be little need for home calisthenics or for beauty editors urging you to EXERCISE.

Have you never noticed how happy are the contestants in games of sport? Even though only one side can win both sides appear to be happy! Their eyes are gay, their cheeks flushed and their grins or smiles are infectious. Usually the audience watching the match is jolly too. Play makes them happy, and games are splendid means for exercise.

Children get their exercise in the form of play. That is nature's way of developing the body for the business of living. When boys and girls play hard—running, jumping, bending, twisting, turning—they are using every important muscle in their bodies and are unconsciously building vitality and poise.

"It is a splendid thing when men and women carry over into adult

life the joy of physical activity experienced in childhood," declares one authority on body development.

"How much more life means to them. They have an invaluable aid, both for the conduct of their

own lives and for the guidance of their children. Exercise does not need to be a chore. There are many excellent forms of physical activity to choose from. Mothers and fathers who enjoy active games with their boys and girls get the benefits of good exercise—and more. For thus they develop a keener understanding of their children, and go a long way toward acquiring ideal relations between parent and child.

"Outdoor sports comprise a series of exercises that are hard to beat. It is a delight to acquire skill in playing outdoor games such as tennis, badminton, baseball or golf. There is a feeling of freedom and power which comes from the thorough mastery of such activities as skating, or skiing, or swimming.



The family baseball game is not only much fun but it is also a splendid way to exercise for beauty.

In this kind of exercise keen enjoyment goes hand in hand with keeping the body fit.

"When the weather makes outdoor sports impossible, or when other circumstances prevent them, then indoor and gymnasium games—basketball, bowling, hand ball, squash, tennis—are recommended."

And if exercise is taken in the form of fun it is so much more beneficial than that taken grimly at home on the parlor carpet! Rather than gritting your teeth and

doing corrective movements for ten or fifteen minutes at home, turn on the radio and dance to good band music. Kick your feet high, bend your body, sway to the notes. Imagine you are a ballet dancer, interpreting the arrival of Spring! But dance with rhythm and a smile on your face. Exercise should be fun—whether you play a game or kick your legs over your head at home. A body well stimulated is a healthier and happier body and both health and happiness are necessary for beauty of face!

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The princess silhouette the trim, tailored collar and cuffs, are very becoming. This is a practical, flattering design in gingham or percale for home wear, and in sports silk for shopping.



## What The Stars Foretell

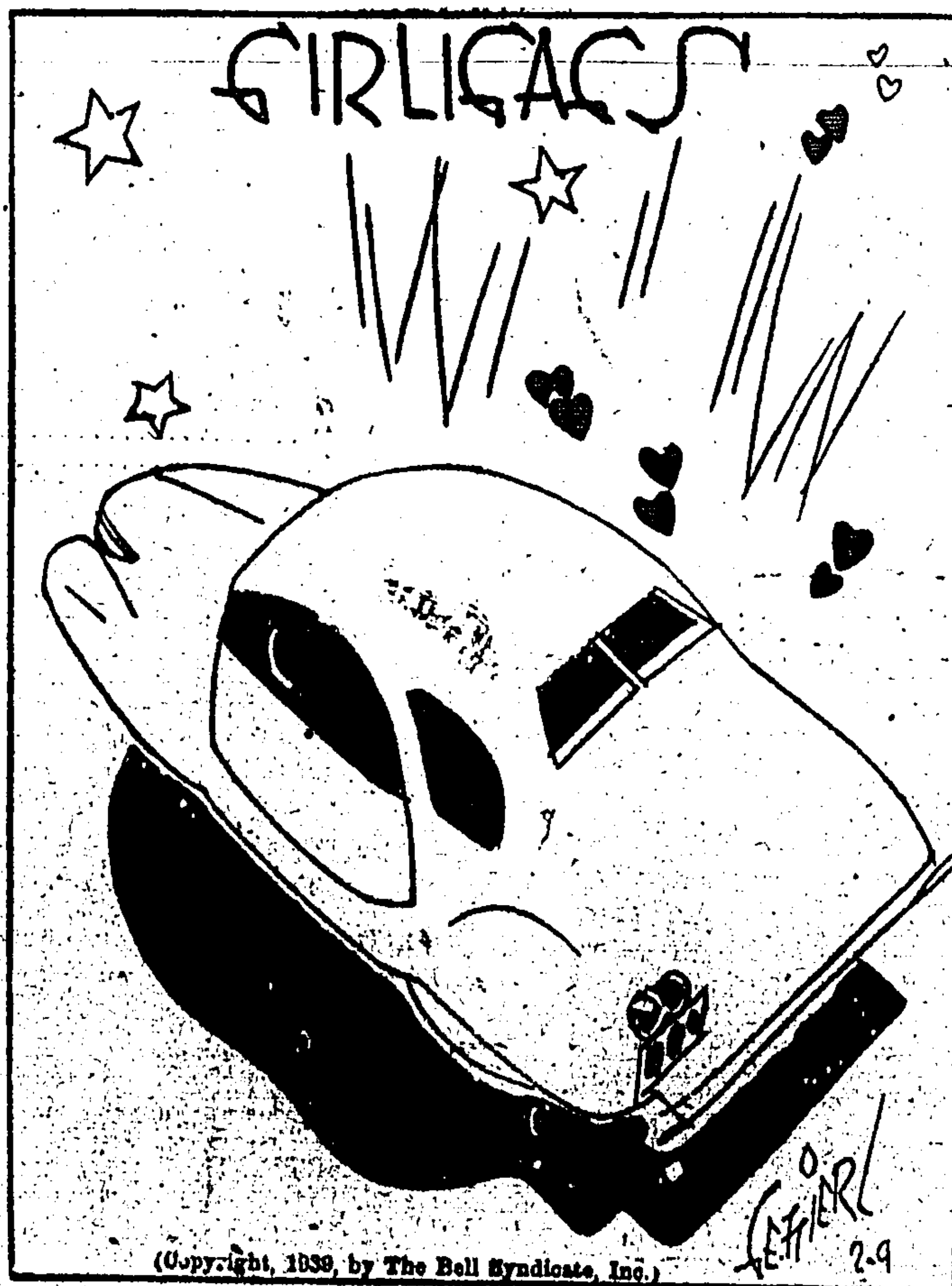
By MARY BLAKE

Make your mind work along constructive lines of thought this day instead of allowing it to ruminate on idle fancies without rhyme or reason. An inclination to pry or meddle might prevail, for conditions are apt to be conducive to making the average person very inquisitive. Curiosity will be responsible for many unpleasant complications that may require embarrassing explanations. You may discover an ingenious means of acquiring a sum of money this day because Lady Luck apparently will favour a good many people financially in an unexpected way. Dramatic manners, or a pompous bearing, will make many a person conspicuous and the subject of ridicule, this day. Married and engaged couples, as well as those infatuated with someone's personality or charm, should endeavour to confine their conversations to cheerful subjects this day.

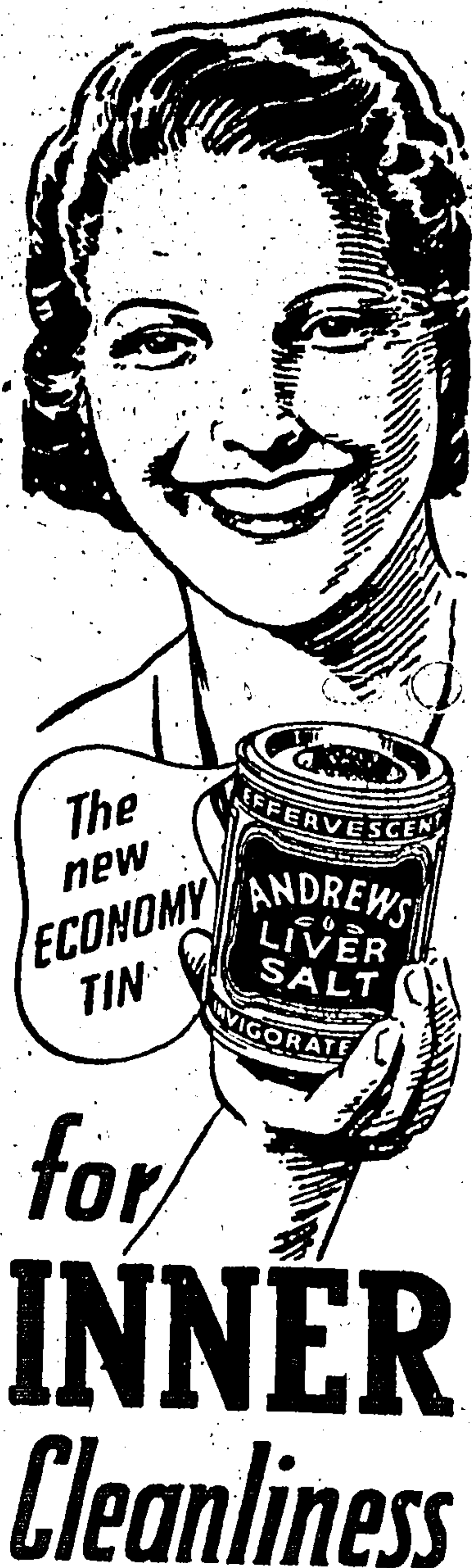
If a woman and March 24 is your birthday, and you are not

married and a homebody, a professional career will probably assure you of a brilliant future. You are very careful when it comes to committing yourself to any policy, or promise. You have a will of your own, as well as very strong opinions, neither of which can be easily influenced by others. Vulgarity in any form is apt to be repulsive to you, for yours is inherently a refined nature. You ought to be blessed with an excellent memory, especially for faces. As a designer, purchasing agent, office manager, journalist, painter, musician, singer, actress or sales lady you might establish an enviable record. In marriage your troubles should cease and a great happiness prevail for a long time.

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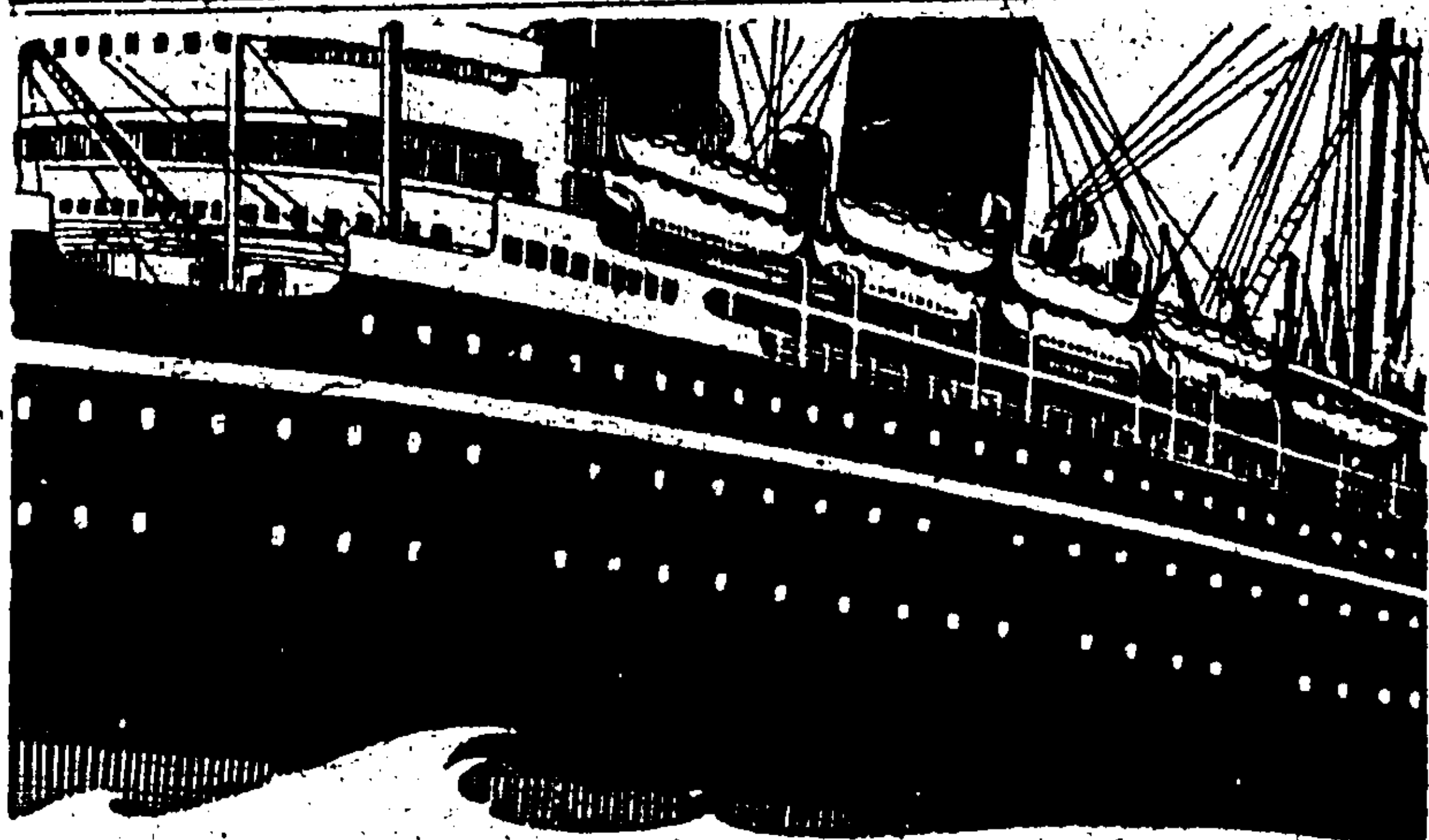
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| Shanghai and Amoy                                                                 | Shantung                   | March 24. |
| Shanghai and Swatow                                                               | Kiungchow                  | March 24. |
| Manila                                                                            | Pres. Pierce               | March 24. |
| Saigon                                                                            | Loos                       | March 24. |
| Formosa, Japan and Shanghai                                                       | Hakone Maru                | March 24. |
| Japan                                                                             | Atuta Maru                 | March 24. |
| Japan and Shanghai                                                                | Burdwan                    | March 25. |
| Haiphong, Pakhoi and Fort Bayard                                                  | Suiyang                    | March 25. |
| Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 18th Mar.              | Imperial Airways Plane     | March 25. |
| Straits and Europe via Negapatam (Papers etc.) London date, 23rd Feb.             | Suwa Maru                  | March 25. |
| Java                                                                              | Tjisanoes                  | March 25. |
| Shanghai                                                                          | Victoria                   | March 25. |
| Shanghai and Swatow                                                               | Taiyuan                    | March 25. |
| Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 15th March. | Pan-American Airways Plane | Mar. 26.  |
| Straits                                                                           | Anshun                     | March 26. |
| Manila                                                                            | Corneville                 | March 26. |
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| Straits                                                                           | Hector                     | March 27. |
| Japan                                                                             | Rio de Janeiro Maru        | March 27. |
| Java and Manila                                                                   | Tjisadane                  | March 27. |
| Shanghai                                                                          | Analogk                    | March 27. |
| Haiphong                                                                          | Canton                     | March 27. |
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#### FRIDAY

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| Air Mail for "K.L.M. Airways Direct Service"—due Amsterdam, 6th Apr.                                                          | Hakone Maru     | Fri., Mar. 24.      |
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|                                                                                                                               | Reg.,           | Mar. 24, 12.30 p.m. |
|                                                                                                                               | Ord.,           | Mar. 24, 1 p.m.     |
| Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, India, East Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 23rd April.                | Hakone Maru     | Fri., Mar. 24.      |
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|                                                                                                                               | Reg.,           | Mar. 24, 12.45 p.m. |
|                                                                                                                               | Ord.,           | Mar. 24, 1.30 p.m.  |
| Shanghai                                                                                                                      | Philoctetes     | Mar. 24, 1.30 p.m.  |
| Saigon, Mauritius, Reunion and Madagascar                                                                                     | Tinhov          | Mar. 24, 1.30 p.m.  |
| Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 6th April.                                         | Atuta Maru      | Fri., Mar. 24.      |
|                                                                                                                               | K.P.O.          |                     |
|                                                                                                                               | Reg.,           | Mar. 24, 5 p.m.     |
|                                                                                                                               | Ord.,           | Mar. 24, 5.30 p.m.  |
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|                                                                                                                               | Reg.,           | Mar. 24, 5 p.m.     |
|                                                                                                                               | Ord.,           | Mar. 24, 7 p.m.     |
| Air Mail for Indo-China, Iran, and Air France (Paris and Northern Provinces only) by the "Air France Airways Direct Service". | France Plane    | Fri., Mar. 24.      |
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#### SATURDAY

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| Papers only for Straits                                                                                                          | Sirdhana         | Mar. 25, 9 a.m.    |
| Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South America via San Francisco and (Papers only for Canada)—due San Francisco, 18th April. | President Pierce | Sat., Mar. 25.     |
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| Manila and Naples—due Naples, 16th April                                                                                         | Victoria         | Mar. 25, 2.30 p.m. |
| Amoy                                                                                                                             | Cremer           | Mar. 25, 3.30 p.m. |
| Shanghai, Japan and Europe (except Great Britain and Eire) via Siberia.                                                          | Suwa Maru        | Mar. 25, 3.30 p.m. |

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### PORTRAIT OF AN INSECT

THE lowly mosquito, who in even his least objectionable moments can be mighty enough to spoil anyone's summer evening, is being accorded a major position on current postage. His portrait is obligatory on all mail issuing from Mexico for the first three months of this year.



As part of a campaign against malaria ("Campana contra el Paludismo") on the stamps' inscription, Mexico has issued a 1 centavo adhesive in light blue which must be used on all mail. The design presents a giant mosquito biting the knee of a man. This picture could appropriately decorate the postage of almost any country, for the mosquito is truly a citizen of the world and from the Equator to the Arctic there are few places where he does not exist.

The triumph of man over mosquito is one of the most thrilling stories science has to tell, and we will be reminded of one episode in this tale when the Panama Canal anniversary is observed in August. The mysterious fever that carried off thousands of workmen compelled the French to abandon the project, and when the United States undertook the huge job it was this problem that demanded

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first attention. Under General Gorgas a two year campaign was waged against the deadly tropical mosquitoes which resulted in their complete defeat as far as the Canal Zone was concerned.

### SWEDEN'S NEW DESIGNS

THE Swedish Postoffice Department is confronted with quite an ambitious programme for 1939. Several commemorative issues are scheduled, as well as a change in the regular postage series. The current postage set featuring the King Gustave V portrait as well as the familiar Lion, posthorn and Crown types has been in use since 1920. The series replacing it will consist of seventeen denominations in two designs, both of them simple in the extreme. A profile of the king, facing right is to be used for the 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45 and 50 ore values. The three crowns of the country's coat-of-arms will be featured on the 60, 85, 90, 100, 115, 120 and 145 ore stamps. These designs are presented without further adornment. The numeral of value (without the customary "ore") and the geographical designation "Sverige" complete each stamp.

The commemorative paper will include stamps to mark the bicentenary of the founding of the Royal Swedish Academy of Science. This institution was organised in June, 1739 by leading Swedish scientists of the day. The anniversary stamps will undoubtedly appear in June.

### POLISH ITEM

THE winter relief set, described last week, consists of three values, 5 plus 5 groszy orange, 25 plus 10gr. violet and 55 plus 15gr. blue.

### WILD STAMPS FROM BORNEO

THE stamps of North Borneo have always been a delight to the small-boy collector, who usually has a penchant for unusual animal stamps. North Borneo has given us such exciting items as the cassowary leopard-cat, tapir, banteng and honey bear, not to mention the fierce orang-utan who is popularly known as the "wild man from Borneo". A new twelve value series from this British Protectorate will add considerably to Borneo's reputation for interesting postage.

The details of this colourful stamp pageant are as follows: 1 cent brown and green, buffalo cart; 2c. greenish-blue and red-violet, cockatoo; 3c. green and gray-lilac, Murut native; 4c. lilac and bronze-green, proboscis money; 6c. red-violet and deep blue, mounted sea gypsies; 8c. red, map showing Borneo and surrounding territory; 10c. olive-green and purple, orang-utan; 12c. ultramarine and green, native with blowgun; 15c. brown and green, Dyak tribesman; 20c. slate black and deep purple, river scene; 25c. dark brown and emerald green, Dyak boat; 50c. violet and chocolate, Mount Kinabalu. The \$1 carmine and \$2 violet and olive bear the shield and crest of the British North Borneo Company.

There are also five postage due values, all in the same design — a white arm and a black arm holding a flag on which appears the British lion. These denominations are: 2c. brown, 4c. scarlet, 6c. violet, 8c. green and 10c. blue.

### RED CROSS STAMP

FINLAND'S annual semi-postal set for the Red Cross has been issued and consists of four values. The design is a presentation of the Battle of Solferino, fought in June of 1859 between the Franco-Sardinians and Austrians. The appalling scenes of bloodshed witnessed during the battle by Henri Dunant, the Swiss philanthropist, led to the publication of a booklet entitled "A Souvenir of Solferino". In his pamphlet, Dunant urged the organisation of societies to care for the wounded on the battlefield and his appeal received ready response. From this beginning sprang the Red Cross as we know it now. The final principles of the organisation, as well as the official flag, were formulated at the Geneva Convention in August, 1864.

The values of Finland's Red Cross stamps are: 1 marka plus 1 pennia; 1m. 50p. plus 15p.; 2m. plus 20p. and 3m. 50p. plus 35p.

### STAMP TEASERS

1. What stamp pictures a ship called the "Amerigo Vespucci"?
2. Who was John Guy and what postage paper bears his portrait?
3. Where is Dnieper Dam—geographically and philatelically?
4. What country has issued a stamp to honour a football game?
5. A camel equipped with his travelling kit proudly stands on what stamp?

### LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

1. On a French stamp of 1934, Hercules is seen tearing apart a tree stump.
2. Greece, in 1924, issued a stamp portraying Lord Byron.
3. St. Anthony of Padua, preaching to the fishes, appears on an Italian stamp of 1931.
4. The state of Jaipur in India issued a stamp in 1931 picturing an elephant-drawn carriage.
5. In 1919, New Zealand issued a stamp picturing an elegantly decorated Maori chief.

## HEARD IN COURT

Defendant: I was not drunk. It was the tests they put that made me look silly.

Witness: There is a doubt in my mind that the defendant was to blame, and I'm not saying that because of his looks.

Man: I was so surprised to see him that before I know where I was I had bought him a drink.

Witness: He would not tell me what had happened, saying, "I am a married man now, therefore my tongue is not my own."

## AT LAST!

It had always been MacLaughlin's ambition to own a fur coat. After years of skimping, he achieved his wish. As he was striding down the street a friend approached him.

"Mornin,' MacLaughlin," remarked the friend, his teeth chattering from the wintry blasts. "Tis a cold day!"

MacLaughlin lifted his chin regally from the depths of his fur collar. "Hm-m, I dinna ken that," he replied carelessly. "I havena' looked at the newspaper to-day."

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## THE ENCHANTED NIGHT

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Then slept again. The rising tide flowed about the island, silver in the cold dawn. No sun rose golden out of the sea. The grey clouds poured low over the marshes. The wind blew. They rose and walked to and fro to keep warm. They rubbed their hands. The little boat was rising on the tide. The rain started in sharp and windy gusts. "It's cold," he said.

She did not reply. "Got the gum boots over there?" he called at last.

"They're by that bush. There. Full of water, too, I'll be bound."

"Breakfast'll be good some time," he said.

The wind blew harder, and the scummy sky reeled lower before it, pressing down upon them.

"Can't we go now?" she asked. "She's not afloat, but we can get aboard."

"She looks afloat to me."

"Well, she's not. Don't rush it, walk easily—that mud's treacherous stuff. Oh, you blithering idiot, you."

She rose to her feet, hands grey with ooze. "Blithering idiot? Well, I'll be damned. You got me into this revolting place, didn't you?"

"I didn't do it on purpose. Good

heavens alive, woman, you make me wonder whatever sort of a crazy fool you think I am."

In the blinding rain she faced him, her teeth chattering. "And you make me wonder," she hissed, "why in the name of merciful creation I ever married you."



Inspecting the prizes at the Hong Kong Riding School annual sports. Miss Nancy Kerrison, who won the Adult Learners' Competition is seen with a cup in her hands.

shoals were governed by the impassioned oratory of the Whitebait Leader himself, and reflected an emotional acceptance of the religion of whitebait purity.

Now it seems that these things

are fairly well reasoned out, and represent a consensus of individual opinions.

So there may be still hope for democracy. Let us look out to sea where the whitebait are.

## CABBAGES AND KINGS

### NO PLAICE FOR HIM

A country lad was fishing from the end of the pier, and after a very long time he eventually pulled out quite a fair-sized plaice. After having a good look at it, however, he threw it back into the water.

"What made you do that?" asked an onlooker in surprise. "That was a fish to be proud of."

"Oh, was it?" replied the angler; "but I'm not taking home anything that's been trodden on!"

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### BOTH WAYS

A London bus had just stopped and the conductor, looking across the road, saw a man awaiting a bus going in the other direction. He was evidently a musician, as he was holding a harp with one hand. In the other hand, however, he had a new garden spade.

"Hi, Bill!" bawled the conductor to the driver, "Look at this bloke; 'e's back 'imself both ways!"

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### MUNICIPAL ENTRACT

Two ostriches were walking across the desert, talking of this and that, when they heard rapid footsteps behind them.

Suspecting danger, they stopped at once, and buried their heads in the sand.

A few seconds later, a third ostrich, to whom the rapid footsteps belonged, overtook them and went on his way looking extremely puzzled.

"Extraordinary!" he murmured. "Most extraordinary! I could have sworn I saw a couple of ostriches."

### TOO MUCH OF HIM

"Do you see much of your husband?"

"About an hour a day."

"Oh, but what a shame!"

"Well, my dear, an hour soon passes."

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### ALTERNATIVE

"Cook, I warned you, no followers, yet you were entertaining that policeman in the kitchen last night."

"Well, of course, mum, if you'd rather 'ave burglars in the drawingroom."

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### STEP IN

A young man opened the door of a crowded railway carriage. "Is this Noah's Ark?" he asked sarcastically.

"Yes," came the reply, "and we're just awaiting the ass. Come right in."

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### WHERE THE WICKED SLIP

The roads were icy, and an elder of the kirk had lost his footing and was struggling to rise when the minister came along.

"Ah, John," he remarked, facetiously, "the wicked walk in the slippery places."

"So I see," replied John drily. "But I canna manage it."

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### NOT SUCH POOR FISH

"Whitebait," writes cookery girl, "is fairly reasonable." This is heartening news. Let us be of good cheer. All is not lost says a writer.

I had thought—I admit it fully, frankly, freely—that whitebait were merely on the level of human intelligence. I had thought that their movements in great

"I suppose  
I'm  
fussy..

... but I don't see why, at my age, I should put up with second-best... For instance, I'm fond of the theatre; but, believe me, I'd rather stay away than see an indifferent play.



... So that's why, when you offered me whisky, I asked you to make mine a White Horse. I daresay some men hold that one Scotch whisky is as good as another. Well, when they know as much about it as I do, they will think differently."

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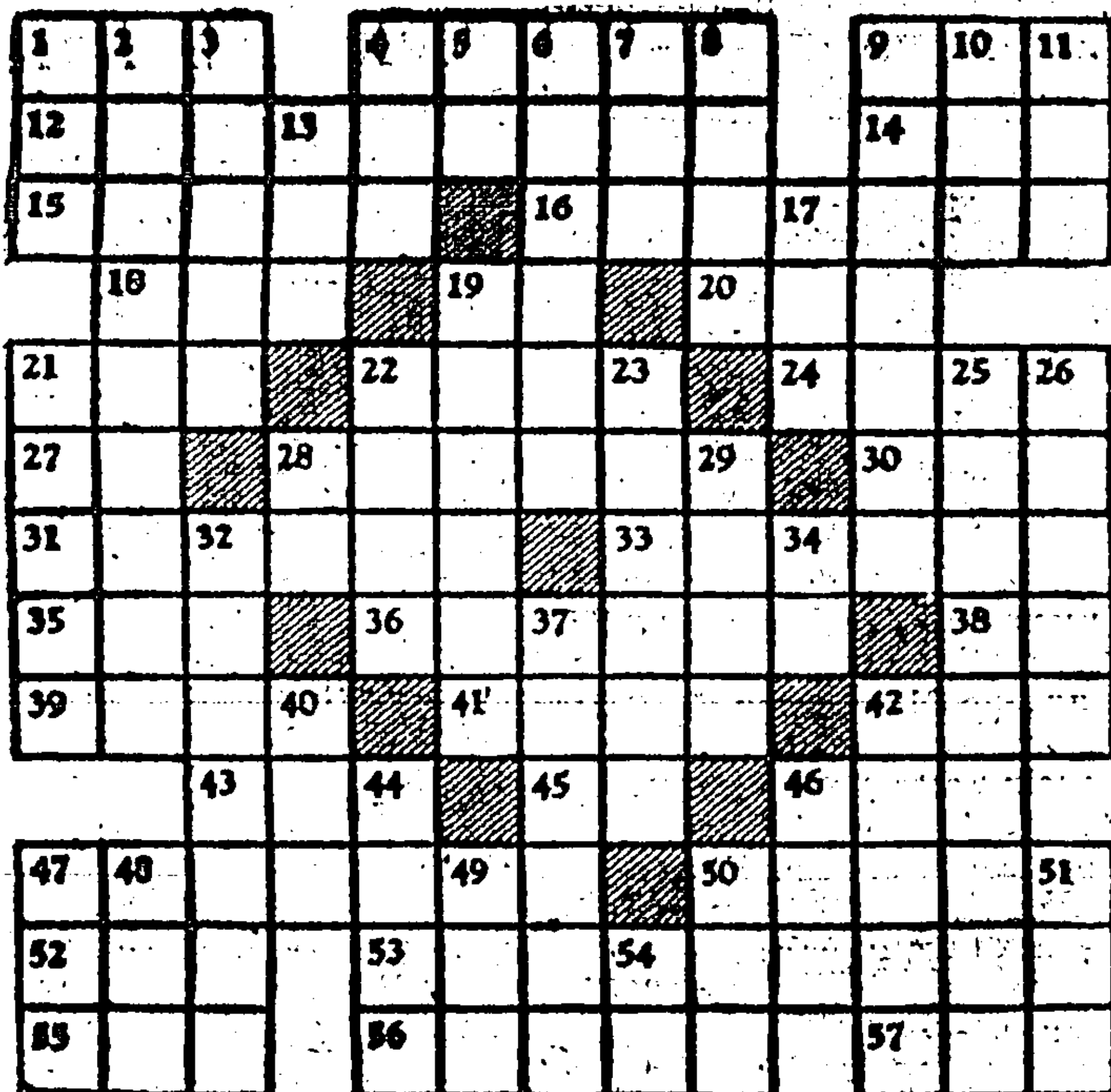
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- 35 Japanese coin
- 36 To adjust
- 38 New Testament (abbr.)
- 39 Icelandic writing
- 41 To mole
- 42 Greek letter
- 43 High note
- 45 Conjunction

**VERTICAL**

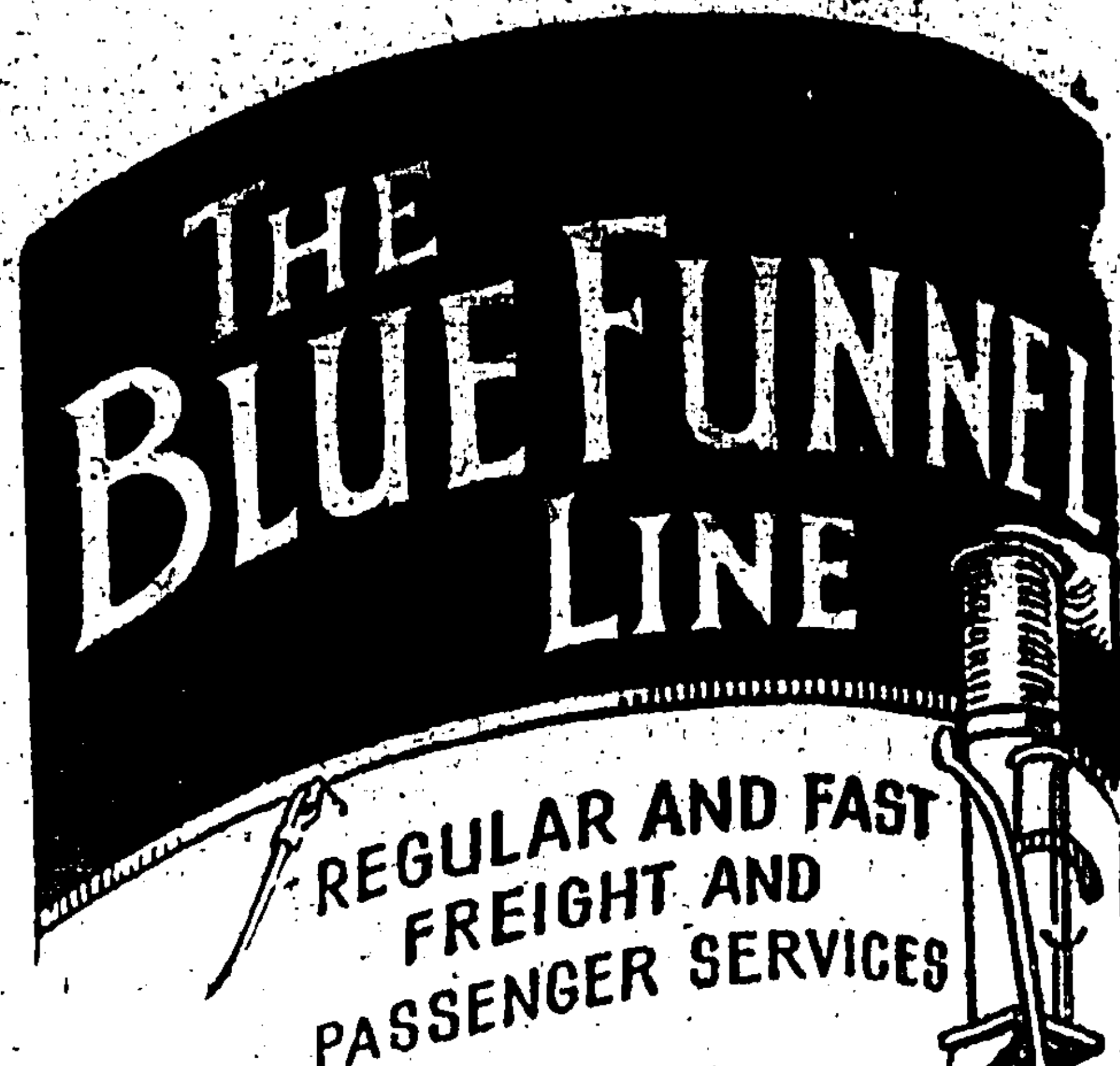
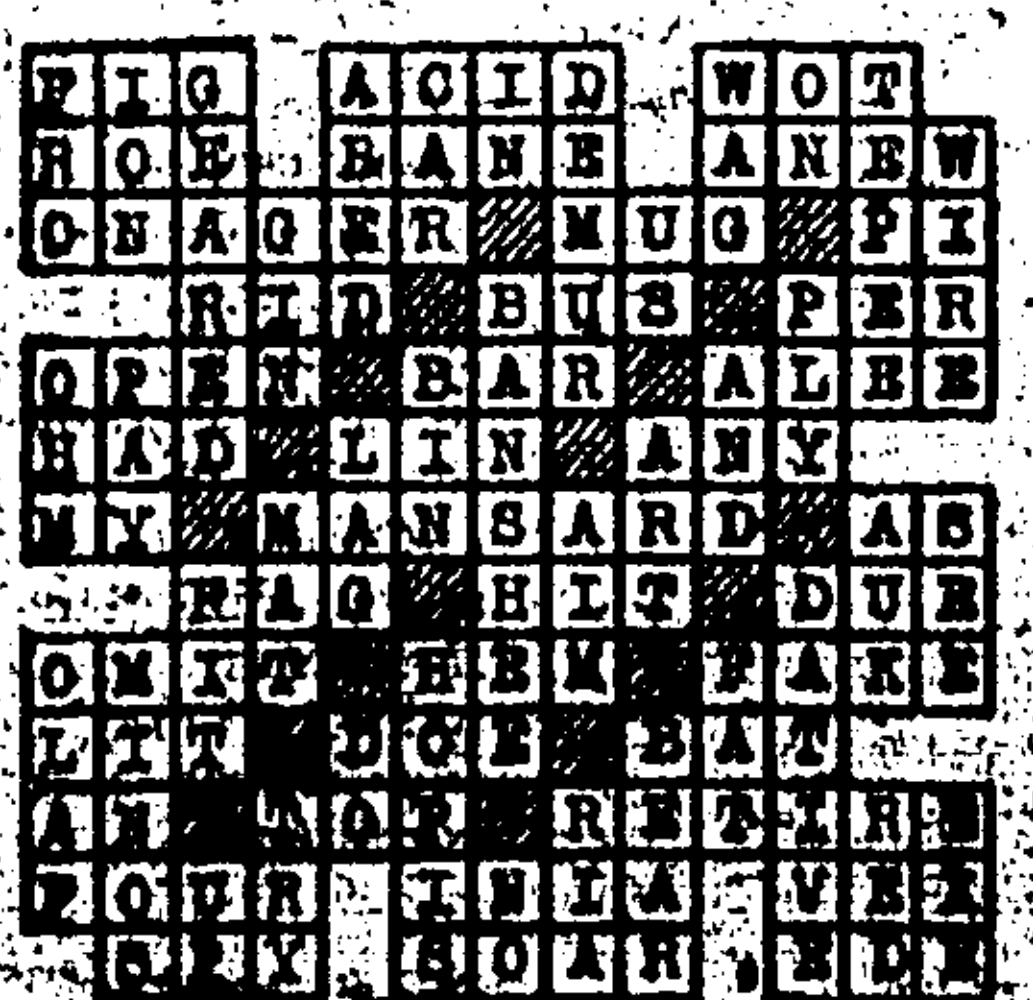
- 46 Goddess of mischief
- 47 Finch-like bird
- 50 Amphibian order
- 52 Worthless leaving
- 53 Apostates
- 55 Auxiliary verb
- 56 Parts of Saturn's rings

**VERTICAL**

- 1 Hindrance
- 2 Conjured up
- 3 Small horse
- 4 Babylonian god
- 5 Glacial ridge
- 6 Flowerless plant

**VERTICAL**

- 7 Tough elastic wood
- 8 Counterfoil
- 9 To litigate
- 10 Swedish coin
- 11 Balfour
- 13 Breach
- 17 Waste piece of cloth
- 19 Originates
- 21 To cast down
- 22 Mimics
- 23 Dog
- 25 Again enlisted
- 26 Girl's name (Sp.)
- 28 Hypothetical force
- 29 Traded in
- 32 Notches edge of
- 34 Symbol for tellurium
- 37 Vexations
- 40 Arm pit
- 42 Musical study
- 44 City of India
- 46 Collection of sayings
- 47 Flax fibre
- 48 Cockatoo
- 49 Poetic nightfall
- 50 Epoch
- 51 Peer Gynt's mother
- 54 Babylonian god

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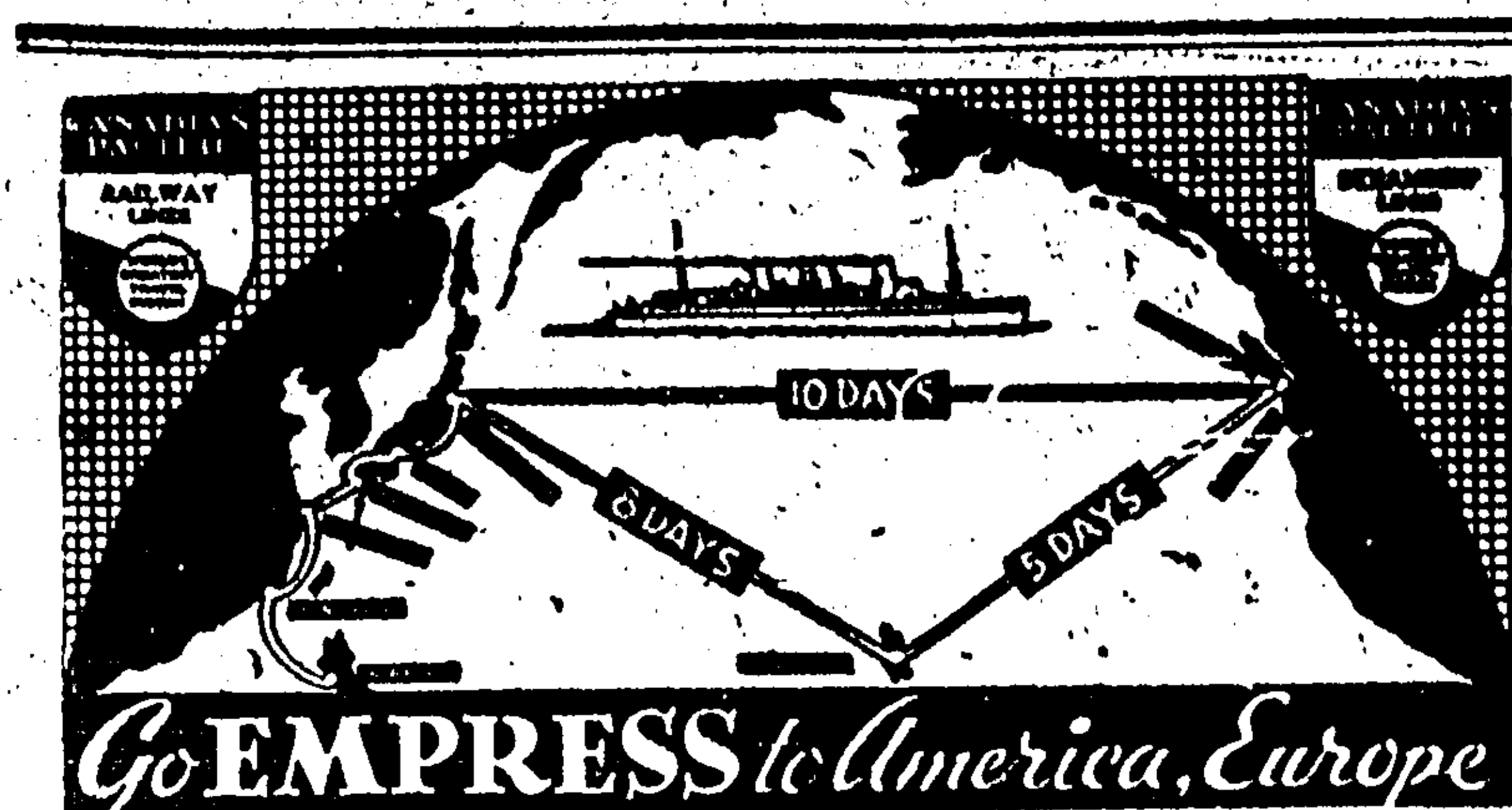
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| Empress of | Leave     | Arrive   | Leave    | Leave   | Leave    | Leave    | Victoria Arrive |
| Asia       | Mar. 30   | Apr. 1   | Apr. 3   | Apr. 5  | Apr. 7   | Apr. 14  | Apr. 20         |
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## PUBLIC AUCTIONS

The Undersigned have received instructions from the Official Receiver, Supreme Court to sell by Public Auction on

Tuesday, the 28th. March, 1939

commencing at 11 a.m.

at No. 58 Belchers Street

The Stock-in-trade, Furniture and Fixtures of the Kwong Kam Leong Chan, in bankruptcy.

to be sold in one lot.

(The Stock consists of Teak Logs and Teak Planks etc.)

Inspection orders may be had from the Undersigned.

On View from Saturday, the 25th. March, 1939.

Terms: As Customary.

LAMMERT BROS.,

Auctioneers.

Hong Kong, 24th March, 1939.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

Wednesday, the 29th. March, 1939

commencing at 10.30 a.m.

at No. 11A Carnarvon Road, Kowloon, (top floor)

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Hong Kong, 24th March, 1939.

## INSURANCE HAS A VERY LEAN YEAR

(Continued from Page 4)

are suffering from the closing of various China ports; previously, places such as Hankow and Canton were sources of satisfactory income but now they are merely an expense. In Shanghai, we are holding our own very well indeed, but every dollar we earn is reduced by 75% when transferred into Hong Kong currency. Believe me when I say that Insurance in these times has its full quota of difficulties, like everything else.

Mr. D. V. Stevenson seconded the adoption of the report and accounts were adopted.

### OTHER BUSINESS

Messrs. C. Bernard Brown, A. H. Compton, the Hon. Mr. T. E. Pearce, Mr. J. H. Taggart and Mr. S. T. Williamson were re-appointed to the Consulting Committee on the motion of Mr. J. H. Seth, seconded by Mr. H. J. Armstrong, while Messrs. Lowe Bingham and Matthews and Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming were re-elected auditors on the motion of Mr. M. H. Lo, seconded by Mr. H. W. M. Dulley.

The following attended:—Messrs. D. F. Landale, chairman, C. Bernard Brown, A. H. Compton, Felix A. Joseph, M. K. Lo, T. E. Pearce and S. T. Williamson, (Consulting Committee), F. C. Hall, (Secretary) and the following shareholders:—Messrs. H. J. Armstrong, D. Hung, H. W. M. Dulley, M. H. Lo, John Fleming, J. H. Seth, D. V. Stevenson and S. Hampden Ross.

Vice-Admiral J. J. G. M. le Bigot is paying an official visit to the Colony next week, and an official dinner in his honour will be given at Government House.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

### PUBLIC AUCTION

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

Friday, the 31st. March, 1939

commencing at 5.15 p.m.

at their Sales Room, No. 2

Connaught Road, Central.

(Room No. 205, 2nd. Floor)

A Valuable Collection of Postage Stamps.

On View from Thursday, the 30th. March, 1939.

Terms: Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.,

Auctioneers.

Hong Kong, 24th Mar., 1939.

## YOU CAN GROW A COALIE-FLOWER

Do you know what a coalie-flower is? It is the newest thing in table decoration, and is spreading through England. This is how you can grow one:

Mix a small bottle of red ink (2d. size) with three tablespoons of household ammonia, two tablespoons of salt, three packets of a special powder blue, and three tablespoons of cold water.

Then place four or five pieces of coal, about the size of small oranges, in a glass bowl, and pour the mixture over them.

If you stand the bowl in a warm place and add a tablespoon of water and a teaspoon of salt every second day you will soon have a bowl full of pretty coalie-flower—a coral-like growth.

## £400 MINK COAT IN "PLATE"

A mink fur coat which cost £400 has been given to St. Matthew's Church, Worthing, as part of the offertory.

It happened this way, Sussex church builders need £15,000 and local clergy are helping in an appeal.

The Rev. Rowland Smith, curate-in-charge of St. Matthew's, appealed to parishioners to send unwanted gold and jewellery.

Now the coat is advertised for sale at £100.

## LOCAL SHARES

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations this morning:—

### BANKS

Hong Kong Bank \$1340 sa.

### INSURANCES

Union Ins. \$462½ b., \$470 s.

DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, ETC.

H. K. Docks \$17¼ b., \$17½ sa.

Providents \$5.45 sa.

### MINING

Antamoks Ps. .38 sa.

Baguio Gold Ps. .26 sa.

Coco Grove Ps. .42 sa.

Consolidated Mines Ps. .003 sa.

Demonstrations Ps. .14½ sa.

I. X. L. Ps. .61 sa.

Paracale-Gumaus Ps. .16 sa.

San Mauricio Ps. 1.96 sa.

Suyoc Consol. Ps. .18½ sa.

United Paracales Ps. .69 sa.

### PUBLIC UTILITIES

H. K. Tramways \$15.80 b.

### INDUSTRIALS

Canton Ices \$1 b.

### STORES, &C.

Dairy Farms cum. rts. \$23.65 sa.

Watsons \$9.10 s.

### MISCELLANEOUS

Entertainments \$6.45 b.

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"Kwaisang" 31st Mar. 7 a.m.

"Yusang" 2nd Apr. Noon

"Wosang" 5th Mar. Noon

\* Calls at Tsingtau.

### TO KOBE & OSAKA.

"Kutsang" 18th Mar. 7 a.m.

"Kumsang" 2nd May 7 a.m.

### TO SANDAKAN.

"Mausang" 1st Apr. 10 a.m.

To SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

"Kumsang" 26th Mar. 2 p.m.

"Yuensang" 31st Mar. 2 p.m.

### TO HAIPHONG.

"Taisang" 29th Mar. 5 p.m.

"Esang" 1st Apr. 8 p.m.

"Mingsang" 4th Apr. 3 p.m.

"Taksang" 12th Apr. 5 p.m.



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## DR. FUNK WARNS AGAINST TRADE BOYCOTT

Berlin, To-day.

Referring to the renewal of "propaganda" against Germany, the object of which is to bring economic pressure to bear on Germany because of recent events in Central Europe, the Economic Minister, Dr. Walther Funk, said yesterday in an address to the regional leaders of the National Socialist Party at Sonthofen, that whatever foreign groups might think, the fact remained that the economic and political power of a people of 90 millions in the heart of Europe could never be ignored without producing a most serious reflex effects in the countries pursuing such a policy.

Germany's economic life, said the Minister continued to develop and the economic welfare of Greater Germany would be pursued further with the same tenacity as that with which the Reich had obtained such vast successes in the political sphere.—Trans-Ocean.

## LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2-25/32. "Spot" silver was quoted in London at 20 and forward at 19-5/8.

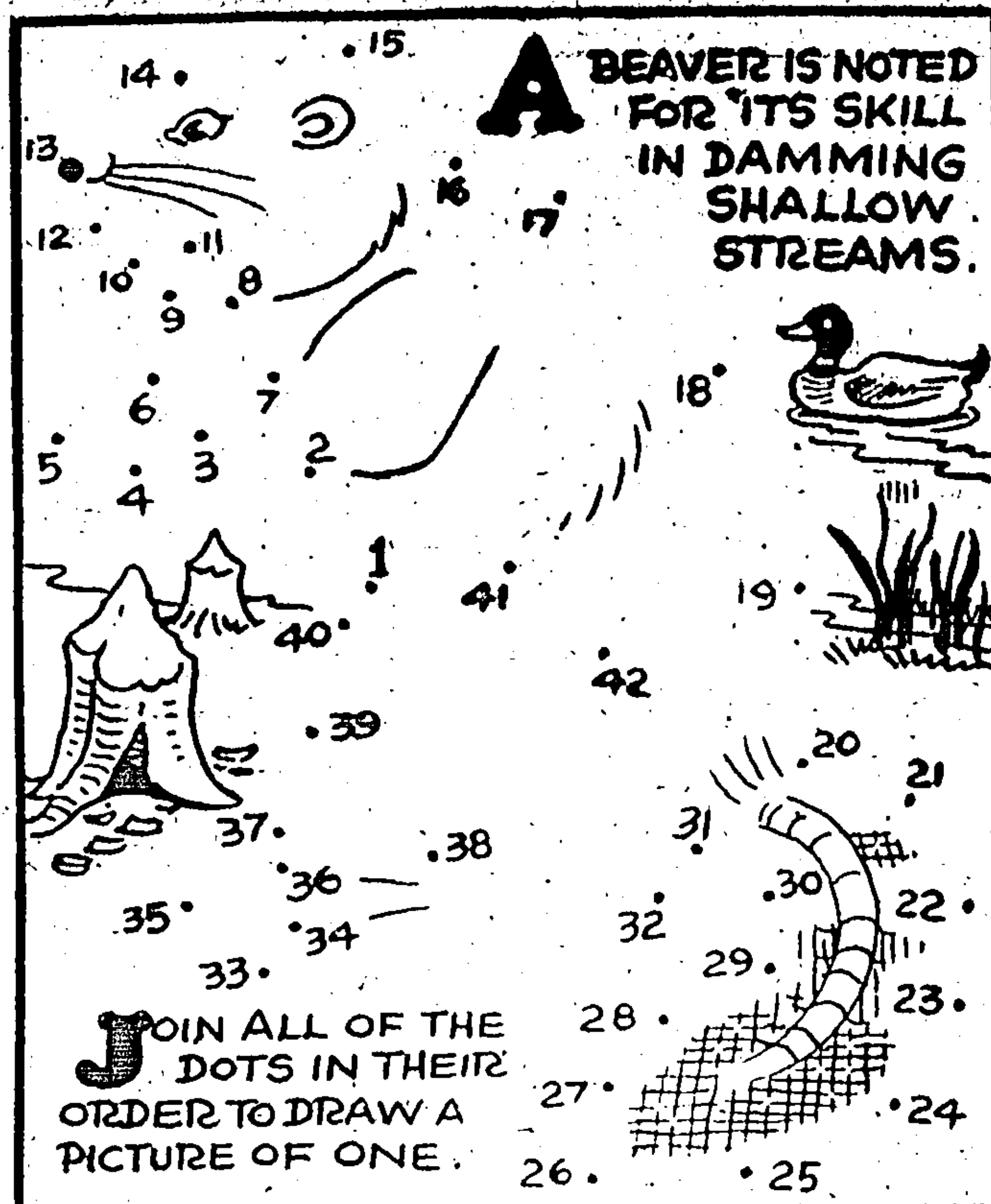
The London on New York rate was quoted at £—U.S.\$4.6837 and the New York—London rate at £—U.S.\$4.68-7/16.

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## CHILDREN'S PUZZLE



Answer to yesterday's puzzle: Nan in Banana; Pear—(pea and ear) Tomatoes (Tom, mat and toes).

## VON NEURATH RESPONSIBLE TO DER FUEHRER

Berlin, To-day.

The constitutional status of the Reich Protector is more closely defined in a decree issued by the Fuehrer yesterday, regarding the protectorate over Bohemia and Moravia.

The Reich Protector, whose office has been conferred, upon Baron von Neurath, is according to this decree, the sole representative in the Protectorate of the Fuehrer and Reich Chancellor and of the Reich Government.

The Reich Protector is directly under the Fuehrer and receives instructions from him alone.

## BANQUET AT FOREIGN OFFICE

London, To-day.

The State visit of the President of the French Republic ends to-day. Last night, Monsieur and Madame Lebrun, together with the King and Queen, Queen Mary and other members of the Royal Family, leading Ministers of State and Ambassadors and Ministers at the Court of Saint James, attended a banquet given at the Foreign Office by the Foreign Secretary and Lady Halifax.—British Wireless.

The Reich Minister for Internal Affairs is, however, entrusted with the task of putting the decree regarding the protectorate over Bohemia and Moravia into effect.—Trans-Ocean.

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| S.S. "PRESIDENT CLEVELAND" | " MAY 5th at 8.00 A.M.       |
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| S.S. "PRESIDENT COOLIDGE"  | SAILS APR. 3rd at        |
| S.S. "PRESIDENT TAFT"      | " APR. 14th at 1.00 A.M. |
| S.S. "PRESIDENT ADAMS"     | " APR. 14th at 12 Noon   |
| S.S. "PRESIDENT CLEVELAND" | " APR. 28th at 1.00 A.M. |

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### LEAGUE CRICKET AVERAGES

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THE FOLLOWING ARE AVERAGES FOR THE TWO DIVISIONS OF THE CRICKET LEAGUE AMENDED TO INCLUDE SATURDAY'S MATCHES:—

#### First Division

##### BATTING

(Qualification, Three matches, average of 15 and under.)

|                             | Inns. | H.S. | Not<br>Outs | Aggr. | Avg.  |
|-----------------------------|-------|------|-------------|-------|-------|
| J. Barrow.....              | 3     | 34*  | 2           | 53    | 53.00 |
| T. A. Pearce...             | 6     | 96   | 1           | 197   | 39.40 |
| A. H. Madar...              | 7     | 48*  | 2           | 178   | 35.60 |
| N. A. E.<br>Mackay.....     | 7     | 47*  | 2           | 173   | 34.60 |
| D. J. N. An-<br>derson..... | 7     | 64   | 0           | 232   | 33.14 |
| Capt. Whit-<br>marsh.....   | 4     | 50*  | 1           | 99    | 33.00 |
| J. L. C. Pearce             | 4     | 41   | 0           | 126   | 31.50 |
| H. Owen<br>Hughes....       | 6     | 64*  | 1           | 132   | 26.40 |
| G. C. Burnett               | 5     | 32   | 1           | 97    | 24.25 |
| Lt.-Comdr.<br>Fuller.....   | 3     | 62   | 0           | 71    | 23.67 |
| M. el Arculli..             | 7     | 65*  | 2           | 115   | 23.00 |
| L. T. Ride.....             | 5     | 41   | 0           | 114   | 22.80 |
| L. G. Gosano...             | 6     | 51*  | 1           | 112   | 22.40 |
| Major Murray                | 4     | 31   | 0           | 89    | 22.25 |
| Y. el Arculli...            | 6     | 45   | 0           | 128   | 21.33 |
| A. R. Kitchell              | 6     | 60   | 0           | 126   | 21.00 |
| Drvr. Logan...              | 6     | 51   | 0           | 125   | 20.83 |
| E. Zimmerm...               | 6     | 46*  | 2           | 82    | 20.50 |

##### BOWLING

(Qualification, Three matches, average of 20 and over.)

| Age of 20         |       |    |     |    |       |
|-------------------|-------|----|-----|----|-------|
|                   | O.    | M. | R.  | W. | Avg.  |
| E. L. Gosano      | 72.1  | 23 | 138 | 27 | 5.11  |
| H. L. Ozorio      | 68.4  | 18 | 180 | 25 | 7.20  |
| G. P. Longfield   | 29.3  | 4  | 97  | 12 | 8.08  |
| F. Baker          | 40    | 8  | 89  | 11 | 8.09  |
| D. J. N. Anderson | 36    | 8  | 99  | 12 | 8.25  |
| B. D. Lay         | 23    | 6  | 51  | 6  | 8.50  |
| J. L. C. Pearce   | 31    | 1  | 127 | 14 | 9.07  |
| A. H. Madar       | 71.3  | 15 | 202 | 22 | 9.18  |
| C. P. O. Paxton   | 33    | 3  | 95  | 10 | 9.50  |
| R. E. Lee         | 92.4  | 22 | 268 | 27 | 9.92  |
| G. Souza          | 16    | 3  | 55  | 5  | 11.00 |
| A. R. Minu        | 124.5 | 22 | 356 | 32 | 11.12 |
| Pte. Hatfield     | 72    | 15 | 192 | 17 | 11.29 |
| A. K. Ismail      | 52.5  | 5  | 201 | 17 | 11.8  |
| N. Whitley        | 27.2  | 0  | 116 | 9  | 12.89 |
| F. R. Zimmern     | 54.2  | 14 | 138 | 10 | 13.80 |
| A. E. Perry       | 53.5  | 9  | 156 | 11 | 14.18 |

#### Second Division

##### BATTING

(Qualification — Four innings, average of 20 and over.)

|                   |       |      | Not  |       |       |
|-------------------|-------|------|------|-------|-------|
|                   | Inns. | H.S. | Outs | Aggr. | Avg.  |
| G. E. R. Divett   | 4     | 54*  | 2    | 103   | 51.50 |
| B. D. Lay....     | 5     | 111* | 1    | 195   | 48.75 |
| C. N. Matthews    | 6     | 20*  | 5    | 45    | 45.00 |
| J. Fong.....      | 7     | 51   | 1    | 249   | 41.50 |
| C. W. E. Bishop   | 8     | 81   | 1    | 252   | 36.00 |
| Sto. Brown...     | 5     | 59*  | 1    | 144   | 36.00 |
| G. N. Gosano      | 7     | 59*  | 1    | 214   | 35.67 |
| J. Barrow....     | 4     | 33   | 1    | 106   | 35.33 |
| B. C. Fay....     | 7     | 53   | 1    | 208   | 34.67 |
| J. L. Stephens    | 8     | 100* | 1    | 239   | 34.14 |
| Cpl. Webb....     | 8     | 73   | 0    | 273   | 34.13 |
| K. Y. Tam....     | 7     | 74   | 0    | 228   | 32.57 |
| A. R. Sufiad...   | 6     | 88*  | 2    | 125   | 31.25 |
| E. J. R. Mitchell | 7     | 38   | 3    | 123   | 30.75 |
| N. Broadbridge    | 4     | 30   | 1    | 84    | 28.00 |
| Ldg. Tel. Wood    | 7     | 37*  | 3    | 112   | 28.00 |
| A. Bakar.....     | 6     | 71*  | 1    | 139   | 27.80 |
| G. A. Goodban     | 4     | 32   | 1    | 82    | 27.33 |
| Capt. Carless...  | 7     | 57*  | 2    | 132   | 26.40 |
| H. P. Lim....     | 6     | 37   | 1    | 128   | 25.60 |
| Lt. Napier....    | 7     | 67   | 0    | 179   | 25.57 |
| H. J. Armstrong   | 7     | 77   | 0    | 177   | 25.29 |
| A. E. Noronha     | 5     | 33*  | 2    | 72    | 24.00 |
| N. P. Fox....     | 7     | 38   | 0    | 184   | 23.43 |
| S/Sgt. Goodger    | 4     | 45   | 1    | 70    | 23.33 |
| H. J. D. Lowe     | 7     | 35   | 0    | 152   | 21.71 |
| H. A. Barrow...   | 5     | 40   | 1    | 85    | 21.25 |
| G. Ainelle...     | 6     | 51*  | 2    | 125   | 20.83 |
| L/S. Smith...     | 8     | 44   | 0    | 166   | 20.75 |

## ALDINE WINS LIVERPOOL HURDLE HANDICAP

Liverpool, To-day.  
The Liverpool Hurdle Handicap over 2 miles and one furlong was yesterday won by Aldine (4 to 1) which beat Isdes (20 to 1) by four lengths, while two lengths separated the latter from Santayana (100 to 6) which was third. There were 18 starters. Aldine was fourth in the Lincolnshire Handicap, which was run on Wednesday.—Reuter.

## BOWLING

(Qualification — Four matches, average of 15 and under.)

|                 | O.    | M. | R.  | W. | Avg.  |
|-----------------|-------|----|-----|----|-------|
| C. W. E.        |       |    |     |    |       |
| Haines . . . .  | 58.4  | 19 | 127 | 17 | 7.47  |
| R. Soares . . . | 69.2  | 10 | 176 | 23 | 7.65  |
| A. E. Carey . . | 38.2  | 11 | 96  | 11 | 8.73  |
| W. K. Way . . . | 19    | 4  | 81  | 9  | 9.00  |
| Ldg. Tel.       |       |    |     |    |       |
| Wood . . . . .  | 111.5 | 30 | 292 | 30 | 9.73  |
| G. E. R. Divett | 50    | 10 | 139 | 14 | 9.93  |
| W. L. McKen-    |       |    |     |    |       |
| zie . . . . .   | 38.4  | 4  | 139 | 14 | 9.93  |
| B. C. Fay . . . | 76.4  | 19 | 190 | 19 | 10.00 |
| G. N. Gosano    | 51.2  | 9  | 141 | 14 | 10.07 |
| F. H. Carvalho  | 16    | 0  | 61  | 6  | 10.17 |
| K. L. Ng . . .  | 76.4  | 18 | 197 | 19 | 10.37 |
| B. G. Baker . . | 27    | 0  | 104 | 10 | 10.40 |
| Y. T. Barma     | 11.1  | 1  | 52  | 5  | 10.40 |
| A. M. Omar . .  | 82    | 26 | 199 | 19 | 10.47 |
| A. V. Gosano    | 72.5  | 21 | 195 | 18 | 10.83 |
| R. A. J. Simp-  |       |    |     |    |       |
| son . . . . .   | 45    | 4  | 170 | 15 | 11.33 |
| C. H. Teoh . .  | 64.3  | 13 | 224 | 18 | 12.44 |
| D. S. Robb . .  | 42    | 6  | 164 | 13 | 12.61 |
| W. S. Gegg . .  | 58    | 14 | 153 | 12 | 12.75 |
| F. A. Curreem   | 18.5  | 4  | 77  | 6  | 12.83 |
| R. Baldwin . .  | 35    | 1  | 118 | 9  | 13.11 |
| W. Stoker . .   | 53.2  | 11 | 181 | 13 | 13.92 |
| G. Hong Choy    | 32.3  | 6  | 128 | 9  | 14.22 |
| Capt. Carless   | 54    | 10 | 175 | 12 | 14.58 |

## Knocks Out Jake Kilrain In British Welterweight Title Fight

### HOLDER COUNTED OUT: MISJUDGED THE COUNT!

Liverpool, To-day.

Ernie Roderick, 10 st. 5 lb., of Liverpool, last night won the British Welterweight boxing title when he knocked out the holder, Jake Kilrain, 10 st. 6 lb., of Glasgow, in the seventh round of their 15 round contest.

Roderick will now meet Henry Armstrong (U.S.A.) for the world's welterweight title, in London, on May 22.

Roderick, who was a pronounced favourite, started confidently last night jabbing his left to Kilrain's mouth. The Scot maintained rushing tactics and eventually launched a heavy barrage in the fifth round which worried Roderick.

The winner fought back savagely in the sixth down, sending Kilrain down with a right to the jaw. Kilrain landed a blow to Roderick's heart in the seventh, but Roderick withstood the effects and again brought his opponent down to the canvas with another right to the jaw.

Kilrain, who was evidently resting, misjudged the count and was counted out while resting on one knee! — Reuter.



## More Teams Enter For Hockey 6-A-Sides

Thirty-four teams have entered for the Hong Kong Hockey Association's Six-a-Side Tournament which will be played on Sunday, April 2.

The following clubs entered with their number of teams in brackets.

- Royal Engineers (1).
- Middlesex Regiment (4).
- Club de Recreo (3).
- H.M.S. Medway and Submarines (2).
- Radio (2).
- Nomads (2).
- Kumaon Rifles (2)
- C.B.A. (2).
- R.A.O.C. (2).
- Kowloon Indians (1).
- Royal Scots (1).
- 8th R.A. Hvy. Regt. (2).
- 7th A.A. Regt. (1).
- 9th A.A. Regt. (1).
- Motor Torpedo Boats (1).
- Queen's College (1).
- U.S.R.C. (1).
- 8th Destroyer Flotilla (1).
- H.M.S. Birmingham (1).
- H.M.S. Thraxian (1).
- Local Defence Flotilla (1).
- Tamar (1).
- Seamew (1).

The draw will take place on Tuesday next. The draw for the International Tournament will be made on the following Tuesday.

## ALL-INDIA HOCKEY XI TO MEET RECREIO

The following have been chosen to represent All-Indian in a friendly hockey game against Club de Recreo, on Sunday, at 10.15 a.m. on Recreo's Ground.

- N. C. Sen-Gupta (H.K. University);
- Gusein Singh (Kumaon Rifles);
- Datta Ram (Raj. Rifles);
- M. R. Malik (K.I.T.C.);
- Lali Singh (Kumaon Rifles);
- M. H. Hassan (Radio);
- Hav. Shah Wali (Raj. Rifles);
- Pyara Singh (K.I.T.C.);
- Lt. Pritamath (Raj. Rifles) (Capt.);
- Nerain Singh (Kumaon Rifles);
- Partab (Kumaon Rifles).

## ST. PAUL'S COLLEGE ATHLETICS

The 30th Annual Athletic Sports of St. Paul's College will be held at Caroline Hill on Thursday, March 30, from 1.30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Mr. Chan Kung-chit has kindly volunteered to distribute the prizes.



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**THREE LIKELY DRAWS**

Burnley  
Southend  
Southampton

F.A. CUP (SEMI-FINAL)  
Portsmouth v HUDDERSFIELD  
Grimsby v WOLVES  
SCOTTISH CUP (SEMI-FINAL)  
ABERDEEN v Motherwell  
Hibernians v CLYDE

FIRST DIVISION  
BOLTON (0) v Derby (2)  
CHELSEA (-) v Aston Villa (-)  
Leeds (1) v Blackpool (1)  
Leicester (1) v ARSENAL (1)  
Liverpool (3) v BRENTFORD (4)

MANCHESTER U. (-) v Everton (-)  
Preston (0) v SUNDERLAND (0)

SECOND DIVISION  
Burnley (0) v Chesterfield (2)  
COVENTRY (-) v Manchester C. (-)  
LUTON (0) v Bury (1)

NEWCASTLE (2) v Blackburn (0)  
Norwich (3) v WEDNESDAY (1)

NOTTS F. (-) v Millwall (-)  
PLYMOUTH (2) v West Ham (1)

SHEFFIELD U. (-) v Tranmere (-)  
Southampton (2) v Bradford (1)

TOTTENHAM (2) v Swansea (0)  
WEST BROM. (-) v Fulham (-)

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)  
BOURNEMOUTH (2) v Clapton (1)

Brighton (1) v Torquay (1)  
Bristol R. (1) v SWINDON (2)  
CARDIFF (4) v Crystal Pal. (2)  
EXETER (3) v Bristol C. (2)  
Ipswich (-) v Watford (-)

MANSFIELD (4) v Northampton (1)  
QUEEN'S P.R. (2) v Notts C. (1)

READING (-) v Port Vale (-)  
Southend (4) v Aldershot (1)  
WALSALL (3) v Newport (1)

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)  
Accrington (1) v GATESHEAD (5)  
BARNLEY (-) v Hartlepool (-)

Barrow (1) v Southport (2)  
BRADFORD C. (3) v Rotherham (2)

Chester (4) v DONCASTER (0)  
HALIFAX (0) v Carlisle (0)  
HULL (4) v Rochdale (1)

LINCOLN (2) v York (0)  
NEW BRIGHAM (4) v Crewe (0)

OLDHAM (3) v Darlington (0)  
STOCKPORT (-) v Wrexham (-)

SCOTTISH LEAGUE (FIRST DIVISION)  
ARBROATH (2) v St. Mirren (1)

FALKIRK (3) v Third Lanark (1)  
HEARTS (-) v Albion (-)

QUEEN'S O.S. (3) v Hamilton (1)  
QUEEN'S PARK (-) v Raith (-)

ST. JOHNSTONE (4) v Ayr (1)

**THREE AWAY POSSIBLES**

Wednesday  
Brentford  
Gateshead

Alternative:—Swindon.

**TEAMS TO BE AVOIDED**

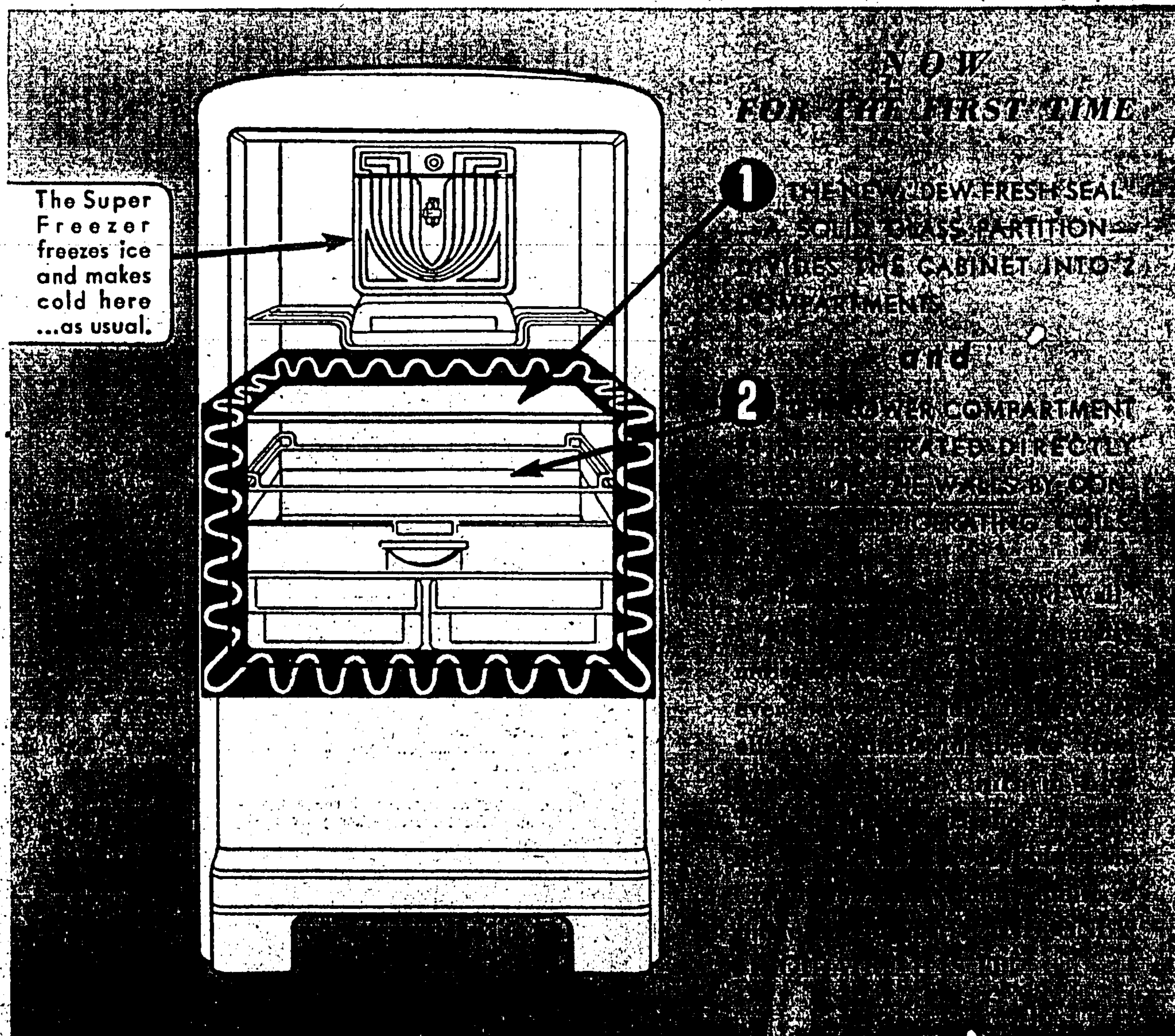
Chelsea.—As erratic as ever.

Everton.—On a good day, Manchester United can simplify the Wolves' championship and cup task.

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# Four Rugby Unions Extend "The Olive Branch"

## CONDITIONS WHICH FRENCH UNION WILL EASILY ACCEPT

Paris, To-day.

"The Olive Branch" extended by the four British Rugby Unions in an effort to resume Rugby relations with France, has been welcomed in sporting circles here.

The newspaper "Auto" hails the letter from the British Unions as "a joyful thunderclap in the Rugby world," but states that everything is by no means settled.

The journal points out that the French Federation is holding an extraordinary meeting on Sunday next to discuss the letter and the terms included, in which is the abandonment of the French Championship, which has hitherto been the chief obstacle in the resuming of the matches.

### THORNY PATH

It is understood, the paper continues, that the conditions also include the permanent suspension of managers who paid, or are still paying players, and that the managers and players who have been concerned in the professional League should not be reinstated by the French Federation, which must also observe the International Board's rules, namely,

that a player ordered off should not be allowed to return to the field.

M. Laurent, Secretary of the French Federation, says that all these conditions are easily accepted.

## Bookmakers Sitting Pretty!

### To-day's Grand National Considered Very Open AMATEUR RIDER'S WAGERS

Liverpool, To-day.

With an outsider in Squadron Castle winning the first leg of the spring double, bookmakers are setting pretty over the Grand National Steeplechase, which takes place to-day, especially as it is considered one of the most open races in many years with no horse competing comparable with giants of the past like Manfro or Cloister.

The fine weather at present prevailing and consequent good going is likely to result in a large number of ponies completing the course and no debacle like the 1928 race, when only two finished, is likely to occur, which makes the picking of the winner even more difficult.

One of the most interesting runners will be Drim, who finished the course last year. He will be ridden by a young amateur, Mr. Jack Morris, who has only recently taken up riding. Mr. Morris will win £7,500 for an outlay of £71 if Drim wins.

### EXTRAORDINARY WAGER

He has found layers for a wager of 100 to 1 against him completing the first circuit, 500 to 10 against him getting over the first fence and 1,000 to 1 against him winning the race.

A lot of money has been wagered recently on Blueshirt, who finished seventh last year when starting as joint favourite. Blue Shirt was backed to win £11,000 last night.—Reuter.

able and believed that the Federation will suggest that England and France meet again on January 1, 1940.—Reuter.

## Pony Roup At Valley

### Ranger Fetches \$525

Thirty-one ponies, Australian and China, were auctioned at the Jockey Club paddock, Happy Valley, yesterday. The highest bid of the day was \$525 for Ranger, an Australian. The complete list was as follows:

A Testing Time, \$25, K. Neckleman.  
A Lovely Time, \$20, A. V. White.  
The Giant Panda, not sold.  
Ranger, \$525, Chanson Feng.  
Eve Of Shyness, \$25, A. V. White.  
Cairnmore, \$300, Y. M. Loo.  
Helium, \$90, Dr. L. Reldy.  
King's Worthy, \$65, S. W. Tang.  
Malolo, \$80, Sub. Lt. Lock, H.M.S. Diana.

Final Triumph, not sold.  
Mongol, \$10, Capt. Whitehead.  
Sports Gesture, \$75, S. W. Cheng.  
Yue Yee, \$10, Mrs. Cooper.  
Golden Arrow, \$75, K. Neckleman.  
Borrachito, \$65, Robert Chiu.  
Yum Sing, not sold.  
China Pony, \$15, H. S. Yung.  
Labour Day, not sold.  
Wood Nymph, not sold.  
African Diamond, \$60, A. V. White.  
Gold Tower, \$225, F. C. Ko.  
High Tower, \$105, S. W. Cheng.  
High Jump, \$25, J. C. Gill.  
Alligator, \$100, G. Trevorton.  
Mayfair Court, \$95, S. W. Cheng.  
Hurricane, \$105, H. S. Yung.  
Gordito, \$30, P. C. Yuen.  
Danielle, \$35, Li Po-chun.  
Mac's Second Adventure, \$15, T. H. G. Brayfield.  
Hopefulleg, \$5, Mrs. Cooper.  
Soldier of China, not sold.

## HOME FOOTBALL TABLES TO DATE

| FIRST DIVISION |    |    |    |    |            |
|----------------|----|----|----|----|------------|
|                | P. | W. | D. | L. | F. A. Pts. |
| Everton        | 33 | 22 | 3  | 8  | 71 43 47   |
| Wolves         | 33 | 18 | 8  | 7  | 72 26 44   |
| Derby          | 34 | 17 | 7  | 10 | 58 44 41   |
| Middlesbro.    | 34 | 15 | 8  | 11 | 71 58 38   |
| Charlton       | 33 | 16 | 5  | 12 | 60 50 37   |
| Aston Villa    | 33 | 15 | 7  | 11 | 61 44 37   |
| Stoke          | 34 | 13 | 9  | 12 | 58 59 37   |
| Bolton         | 33 | 12 | 11 | 10 | 57 47 35   |
| Arsenal        | 33 | 13 | 9  | 11 | 42 38 35   |
| Sunderland     | 33 | 12 | 8  | 13 | 45 52 34   |
| Grimsby        | 33 | 12 | 9  | 12 | 47 57 33   |
| Liverpool      | 34 | 11 | 11 | 12 | 52 57 33   |
| Preston        | 32 | 11 | 10 | 11 | 47 46 32   |
| Leeds          | 32 | 12 | 7  | 13 | 50 57 31   |
| Brentford      | 33 | 12 | 7  | 14 | 46 60 31   |
| Manchester U.  | 33 | 9  | 12 | 12 | 48 56 30   |
| Portsmouth     | 33 | 9  | 12 | 12 | 35 54 28   |
| Blackpool      | 33 | 8  | 12 | 13 | 46 54 28   |
| Chelsea        | 32 | 10 | 6  | 16 | 58 34 28   |
| Huddersfield   | 33 | 10 | 6  | 17 | 45 51 26   |
| Leicester      | 34 | 8  | 10 | 16 | 37 63 26   |
| Birmingham     | 33 | 9  | 5  | 19 | 52 73 23   |

| SECOND DIVISION |    |    |    |    |            |
|-----------------|----|----|----|----|------------|
|                 | P. | W. | D. | L. | F. A. Pts. |
| Blackburn       | 33 | 20 | 3  | 10 | 79 50 43   |
| Wednesday       | 32 | 17 | 6  | 9  | 71 49 40   |
| Newcastle       | 34 | 17 | 6  | 11 | 53 37 40   |
| Sheffield U.    | 33 | 14 | 11 | 8  | 50 38 39   |
| Coventry        | 32 | 16 | 6  | 10 | 49 38 38   |
| Luton           | 32 | 17 | 4  | 11 | 64 50 38   |
| West Brom.      | 33 | 16 | 6  | 11 | 81 61 38   |
| Chesterfield    | 33 | 15 | 8  | 10 | 51 41 38   |
| Fulham          | 32 | 14 | 9  | 9  | 50 39 37   |
| Tottenham       | 33 | 14 | 9  | 10 | 52 45 37   |
| Burnley         | 35 | 13 | 9  | 13 | 41 44 35   |
| Manchester C.   | 31 | 15 | 4  | 12 | 77 64 34   |
| Millwall        | 32 | 10 | 11 | 11 | 53 42 31   |
| West Ham        | 32 | 12 | 7  | 13 | 40 46 31   |
| Plymouth        | 32 | 12 | 6  | 14 | 42 45 31   |
| Bury            | 34 | 10 | 10 | 14 | 52 60 30   |
| Bradford        | 34 | 16 | 10 | 14 | 53 68 30   |
| Southampton     | 33 | 10 | 8  | 15 | 44 59 28   |
| Swansea         | 32 | 8  | 10 | 14 | 41 62 26   |
| Norwich         | 31 | 10 | 1  | 20 | 38 78 21   |
| Notts F.        | 33 | 6  | 9  | 18 | 39 75 21   |
| Tranmere        | 34 | 5  | 5  | 24 | 35 85 20   |

## EASTERN BEAT ROYAL SCOTS

In their postponed First Division League football encounter on the Club ground yesterday, Eastern defeated Royal Scots by the odd goal in seven.

Eastern scored in the first half through Hau Ching-to and Lee Tak-kee, but Royal Scots were on level terms before the interval through MacDougall, who scored two good goals.

On the resumption Royal Scots had several scoring chances and 15 minutes before the end Bailey gave them the lead for the first time.

Eastern equalised through Lee Tak-kee and the same player completed his "hat trick" just before the final whistle.

| THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH) |    |    |    |    |            |
|------------------------|----|----|----|----|------------|
|                        | P. | W. | D. | L. | F. A. Pts. |
| Newport                | 34 | 20 | 7  | 7  | 52 86 47   |
| Brighton               | 33 | 15 | 8  | 10 | 53 40 38   |
| Crystal P.             | 32 | 15 | 8  | 9  | 55 44 38   |
| Reading                | 34 | 13 | 12 | 9  | 60 47 38   |
| Queen's P.R.           | 32 | 14 | 9  | 9  | 53 41 37   |
| Watford                | 33 | 15 | 7  | 11 | 52 40 37   |
| Notts C.               | 31 | 14 | 7  | 10 | 46 36 35   |
| Swindon                | 32 | 14 | 7  | 11 | 62 53 35   |
| Aldershot              | 32 | 12 | 10 | 10 | 38 47 34   |
| Bristol C.             | 33 | 18 | 8  | 12 | 48 49 34   |
| Northampton            | 33 | 14 | 5  | 14 | 49 49 33   |
| Cardiff                | 32 | 12 | 8  | 12 | 46 48 32   |
| Torquay                | 32 | 11 | 8  | 13 | 44 52 30   |
| Exeter                 | 32 | 10 | 9  | 13 | 54 70 29   |
| Mansfield              | 33 | 10 | 9  | 14 | 38 56 29   |
| Southend               | 29 | 11 | 6  | 12 | 47 51 28   |
| Bournemouth            | 32 | 9  | 10 | 13 | 38 50 28   |
| Ipswich                | 30 | 9  | 9  | 12 | 38 42 27   |
| Port Vale              | 31 | 9  | 7  | 15 | 37 45 25   |
| Clapton                | 31 | 8  | 8  | 15 | 36 42 24   |
| Bristol R.             | 32 | 7  | 10 | 15 | 37 41 24   |
| Walsall                | 32 | 7  | 8  | 18 | 39 57 20   |

| THIRD DIVISION (NORTH) |    |    |    |    |            |
|------------------------|----|----|----|----|------------|
|                        | P. | W. | D. | L. | F. A. Pts. |
| Barnsley               | 34 | 25 | 5  | 4  | 79 28 55   |
| Doncaster              | 33 | 15 | 12 | 6  | 60 40 42   |
| Bradford C.            | 34 | 18 | 6  | 10 | 72 43 42   |
| Southport              | 31 | 15 | 10 | 6  | 62 37 40   |
| Oldham                 | 33 | 17 | 4  | 12 | 58 49 38   |
| Hull                   | 33 | 15 | 7  | 11 | 72 59 37   |
| Crewe                  | 34 | 17 | 6  | 14 | 74 56 37   |
| Chester                | 32 | 14 | 8  | 10 | 71 58 36   |
| Rotherham              | 34 | 14 | 7  | 13 | 58 52 35   |
| Stockport              | 31 | 13 | 7  | 11 | 73 47 34   |
| Halifax                | 33 | 10 | 13 | 10 | 37 41 33   |
| New Brighton           | 34 | 13 | 7  | 14 | 55 59 33   |
| Barrow                 | 34 | 13 | 6  | 15 | 51 57 32   |
| Wrexham                | 34 | 13 | 6  | 15 | 52 71 32   |
| Lincoln                | 33 | 11 | 8  | 14 | 59 69 30   |
| Rochdale               | 34 | 11 | 8  | 15 | 72 66 30   |
| Carlisle               | 32 | 12 | 5  | 15 | 54 80 29   |
| Gateshead              | 32 | 10 | 9  | 13 | 58 68 29   |
| Darlington             | 34 | 10 | 6  | 18 | 53 80 26   |
| York                   | 32 | 9  | 7  | 16 | 45 66 25   |
| Hartlepool             | 34 | 10 | 4  | 20 | 48 84 24   |
| Accrington             | 34 | 4  | 4  | 26 | 38 85 14   |

| SCOTTISH LEAGUE (FIRST) |    |    |    |    |            |
|-------------------------|----|----|----|----|------------|
|                         | P. | W. | D. | L. | F. A. Pts. |
| Rangers                 | 33 | 23 | 7  | 3  | 106 47 53  |
| Celtic                  | 32 | 17 | 7  | 8  | 90 46 41   |
| Aberdeen                | 33 | 17 | 6  | 10 | 80 54 40   |
| Queen O'S.              | 34 | 16 | 8  | 10 | 62 55 40   |
| Hearts                  | 33 | 17 | 5  | 11 | 90 61 39   |
| Falkirk                 | 33 | 16 | 7  | 10 | 64 56 39   |
| Hamilton                | 34 | 16 | 5  | 13 | 59 64 37   |
| St. Johnstone           | 34 | 16 | 5  | 13 | 74 77 37   |
| Motherwell              | 33 | 15 | 5  | 13 | 74 73 35   |
| Kilmarnock              | 33 | 13 | 9  | 11 | 64 71 35   |
| Partick                 | 33 | 14 | 4  | 15 | 64 75 32   |
| Clyde                   | 32 | 14 | 3  | 15 | 66 64 31   |
| Hibernian               | 33 | 12 | 6  | 15 | 68 62 30   |
| Ayr                     | 32 | 10 | 8  | 14 | 64 72 28   |
| Third Lanark            | 32 | 10 | 7  | 15 | 20 77 27   |
| St. Mirren              | 33 | 9  | 6  | 18 | 48 73 24   |
| Arbroath                | 34 | 8  | 8  | 18 | 45 22 24   |
| Albion                  | 33 | 9  | 5  | 19 | 58 86 23   |
| Queen's Park            | 32 | 9  | 5  | 18 | 50 75 23   |
| Raith                   | 33 | 9  | 2  | 22 | 59 86 20   |

## FINAL CALL OVER FOR GRAND NATIONAL

London, To-day.

The following is the final call-over for the Grand National Steeplechase, which takes place at Aintree, Liverpool, this afternoon:

Kilstar 8 to 1.  
Workman 10 to 1.  
Royal Daniel 10 to 1.  
Temewillow 100 to 8 t and v.  
Royal Mail 100 to 7 o, 100 to 6 t.  
Blue Shirt 100 to 6 o, 18 to 1 t.  
Inversible 20 to 1 o, 25 to 1 t.  
Rockquilla 22 to 1.  
Coolen 25 to 1.  
Brendan's Cottage 25 to 1.  
Underbid 28 to 1 t and o.  
MacMoffat 28 to 1 t and o.  
Perfect Part 35 to 1 o, 40 to 1 t.  
Dominick's Cross 40 to 1 t and o.  
Montrejeau 40 to 1 o.  
War Vessel 40 to 1 o, 45 to 1 t.  
Milano 40 to 1.  
Red Freeman 40 to 1.  
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# LEAGUE TABLES & FORM GUIDE

COVERING the last five League matches, this guide to current form in the English and Scottish Football Leagues indicates venue, opponent and result, with the most recent result on the extreme right column, i.e. (a18) indicates that the team played away to Team No. 18.

## FIRST DIVISION

|                  |           |           |           |           |           |
|------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 1 Arsenal        | (a11) 1-2 | (a19) 1-2 | (h 5) 3-1 | (a13) 2-4 | (h15) 2-0 |
| 2 Aston Villa    | (h15) 2-0 | (a14) 1-1 | (h 3) 5-1 | (a16) 1-1 | (h20) 3-1 |
| 3 Birmingham     | (a 9) 1-0 | (h11) 1-1 | (a 2) 1-5 | (h22) 3-2 | (a10) 2-4 |
| 4 Blackpool      | (a20) 1-1 | (h19) 2-1 | (a 7) 1-3 | (a 8) 1-1 | (h 5) 0-0 |
| 5 Bolton         | (a10) 1-2 | (h12) 3-2 | (a 1) 1-3 | (h 6) 1-1 | (a 4) 0-0 |
| 6 Brentford      | (h20) 1-0 | (a 8) 3-1 | (h 7) 1-0 | (a 5) 1-1 | (h13) 0-1 |
| 7 Charlton       | (a12) 0-4 | (h18) 3-3 | (a 6) 0-1 | (h 4) 3-1 | (a 9) 1-3 |
| 8 Chelsea        | (h 6) 1-3 | (a 9) 1-0 | (h11) 5-1 | (h 4) 1-1 | (a21) 2-3 |
| 9 Derby          | (h 3) 0-1 | (a16) 1-1 | (h 8) 0-1 | (a19) 1-4 | (h 7) 3-1 |
| 10 Everton       | (h 5) 2-1 | (a13) 2-1 | (h14) 4-0 | (a17) 4-4 | (h 3) 4-2 |
| 11 Grimsby       | (h 1) 2-1 | (a 3) 1-1 | (h20) 2-1 | (a 8) 1-5 | (h19) 1-1 |
| 12 Huddersfield  | (h 7) 4-0 | (a 5) 2-3 | (a14) 1-0 | (h15) 1-1 | (h17) 0-1 |
| 13 Leeds         | (a22) 1-4 | (h10) 1-2 | (a18) 0-2 | (h 1) 4-2 | (a 6) 1-0 |
| 14 Leicester     | (h 2) 1-1 | (a15) 1-1 | (a10) 0-4 | (h12) 0-1 | (a18) 1-0 |
| 15 Liverpool     | (h22) 0-2 | (h14) 1-1 | (h18) 4-4 | (a12) 1-1 | (a 1) 0-2 |
| 16 Manchester U. | (a 4) 5-3 | (h 9) 1-1 | (a21) 2-5 | (h 2) 1-1 | (a22) 0-3 |
| 17 Middlesbrough | (a11) 2-0 | (h21) 3-0 | (a22) 1-6 | (h10) 4-4 | (a12) 1-0 |
| 18 Portsmouth    | (h 7) 3-3 | (h13) 2-0 | (a15) 4-4 | (a21) 2-0 | (h14) 0-1 |
| 19 Preston       | (a18) 0-0 | (h 1) 2-1 | (a 0) 1-2 | (h 9) 4-1 | (a11) 1-1 |
| 20 Stoke         | (a 6) 0-1 | (h 4) 1-1 | (a11) 1-2 | (h21) 3-1 | (a 2) 1-3 |
| 21 Sunderland    | (a17) 0-3 | (h16) 5-2 | (a20) 1-3 | (h18) 0-2 | (h 8) 3-2 |
| 22 Wolves        | (h13) 4-1 | (a15) 2-0 | (h17) 6-1 | (a 3) 2-3 | (h16) 3-0 |

## SECOND DIVISION

|                 |           |           |           |           |           |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 1 Blackburn     | (h 3) 1-0 | (a18) 3-4 | (a 6) 1-0 | (h 8) 2-0 | (h13) 3-2 |
| 2 Bradford      | (h 8) 2-1 | (a14) 1-4 | (h11) 0-1 | (a 3) 0-0 | (h18) 0-0 |
| 3 Barnley       | (a 1) 0-1 | (h10) 2-0 | (a 4) 0-1 | (h 2) 0-0 | (a17) 0-4 |
| 4 Bury          | (h 6) 5-0 | (a13) 1-1 | (h 3) 1-0 | (a21) 0-6 | (h12) 2-3 |
| 5 Chesterfield  | (a12) 0-2 | (h 6) 3-0 | (a14) 0-0 | (h15) 1-0 | (a20) 2-2 |
| 6 Coventry      | (a 4) 0-5 | (h20) 1-0 | (a 5) 0-3 | (h 1) 0-1 | (a10) 0-0 |
| 7 Luton         | (h18) 1-0 | (a16) 1-2 | (h14) 1-2 | (a13) 1-1 | (h11) 1-1 |
| 8 Luton         | (a 2) 1-2 | (h17) 6-3 | (h19) 3-0 | (a 1) 0-2 | (a22) 1-0 |
| 9 Manchester C. | (a15) 0-1 | (h21) 3-3 | (a18) 3-2 | (a10) 1-3 | (h16) 2-1 |
| 10 Millwall     | (a 3) 0-2 | (h12) 6-0 | (a16) 1-1 | (h 9) 3-1 | (h 6) 0-0 |
| 11 Newcastle    | (h18) 0-1 | (a 2) 1-0 | (h20) 2-1 | (a12) 1-1 | (a 7) 1-1 |
| 12 Norwich      | (h 5) 2-0 | (a10) 0-6 | (h22) 2-6 | (h11) 1-1 | (a 4) 3-1 |
| 13 Notts F.     | (a22) 0-5 | (h 4) 1-1 | (a17) 0-1 | (h 7) 1-1 | (a 1) 2-3 |
| 14 Plymouth     | (a 9) 3-1 | (h 2) 4-1 | (a 7) 2-1 | (h 5) 0-0 | (a19) 0-2 |
| 15 Sheffield U. | (a10) 0-4 | (h 9) 1-0 | (a20) 0-1 | (h17) 1-2 | (a 5) 0-1 |
| 16 Southampton  | (a20) 0-2 | (h 7) 2-1 | (a19) 1-1 | (h10) 1-1 | (a 9) 1-2 |
| 17 Swansea      | (h12) 0-1 | (a 8) 3-6 | (h13) 1-0 | (a15) 2-1 | (h 3) 4-0 |
| 18 Tottenham    | (h 1) 4-3 | (a11) 1-0 | (a22) 2-0 | (h 9) 2-3 | (a 2) 0-0 |
| 19 Tranmere     | (h11) 0-3 | (a21) 0-2 | (h16) 1-1 | (a 8) 0-3 | (h14) 2-0 |
| 20 Wednesday    | (a 6) 0-1 | (h15) 1-0 | (a11) 1-2 | (h21) 2-1 | (h 5) 0-0 |
| 21 West Brom.   | (a 5) 1-3 | (h19) 2-0 | (a 9) 3-8 | (h 4) 6-0 | (a20) 1-2 |
| 22 West Ham     | (h13) 5-0 | (a11) 0-2 | (h18) 0-2 | (a12) 6-2 | (h 8) 0-1 |

## THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

|                 |           |           |           |           |           |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 1 Aldershot     | (h 3) 1-1 | (a17) 0-5 | (h13) 3-3 | (a11) 0-1 | (h16) 2-0 |
| 2 Bournemouth   | (h22) 1-1 | (a14) 1-0 | (h13) 3-1 | (h15) 1-1 | (a12) 2-2 |
| 3 Brighton      | (a 1) 1-1 | (h 8) 0-0 | (a13) 4-1 | (h12) 0-0 | (a 7) 0-2 |
| 4 Bristol C.    | (h 2) 2-0 | (a 5) 1-1 | (h11) 2-0 | (a16) 1-3 | (h18) 1-0 |
| 5 Bristol R.    | (a14) 1-3 | (h 4) 1-1 | (a12) 0-2 | (h 7) 1-0 | (a20) 2-2 |
| 6 Cardiff       | (a 7) 1-1 | (h13) 2-0 | (a19) 1-4 | (h15) 2-4 | (a22) 0-1 |
| 7 Clapton       | (h 6) 1-1 | (a18) 0-1 | (h17) 1-2 | (a 5) 0-1 | (h 3) 2-0 |
| 8 Crystal P.    | (h21) 4-0 | (a 3) 0-0 | (h16) 0-1 | (a18) 1-3 | (h 9) 3-2 |
| 9 Exeter        | (a20) 1-0 | (h12) 3-1 | (a15) 2-3 | (h22) 1-3 | (a 8) 2-3 |
| 10 Ipswich      | (a12) 2-3 | (h14) 0-2 | (a20) 1-1 | (h19) 3-1 | (a15) 0-0 |
| 11 Mansfield    | (h19) 1-1 | (a 4) 0-2 | (h20) 4-0 | (h 1) 1-0 | (a14) 1-1 |
| 12 Newport      | (h10) 3-2 | (a 9) 1-3 | (h 5) 2-0 | (a 3) 0-0 | (h 2) 2-2 |
| 13 Northampton  | (h17) 1-1 | (a 6) 0-2 | (h 3) 1-4 | (a 2) 1-3 | (h21) 4-1 |
| 14 Notts C.     | (h 5) 3-1 | (a10) 2-0 | (h 2) 0-1 | (a21) 3-3 | (h11) 1-1 |
| 15 Port Vale    | (a21) 0-4 | (h 9) 3-2 | (a 6) 4-2 | (a 2) 1-1 | (h10) 0-0 |
| 16 Queen's P.R. | (a15) 2-1 | (h20) 1-1 | (a 8) 1-0 | (h 4) 3-1 | (a 1) 0-2 |
| 17 Reading      | (a13) 1-1 | (h 1) 5-0 | (a 7) 2-1 | (h20) 3-5 | (a19) 2-4 |
| 18 Southend     | (a19) 1-2 | (h 7) 1-0 | (a22) 0-3 | (h 8) 3-1 | (a 4) 0-1 |
| 19 Swindon      | (h18) 2-1 | (a11) 1-1 | (h 6) 4-1 | (a10) 1-3 | (h17) 4-2 |
| 20 Torquay      | (a16) 1-1 | (h10) 1-1 | (a11) 0-4 | (a17) 5-3 | (h 5) 2-2 |
| 21 Walsall      | (a 8) 0-4 | (h15) 4-0 | (a 1) 3-3 | (h14) 3-3 | (a13) 1-4 |
| 22 Watford      | (h11) 2-0 | (a 2) 1-1 | (h18) 3-0 | (a 9) 3-1 | (h 6) 1-0 |

## THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

|                 |           |           |           |           |           |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 1 Accrington    | (a19) 0-1 | (h 7) 2-1 | (a 5) 4-6 | (h 8) 3-0 | (a12) 1-2 |
| 2 Barnsley      | (a 9) 3-1 | (h19) 3-1 | (a 7) 0-0 | (h 5) 3-0 | (a 8) 1-0 |
| 3 Barrow        | (h 8) 2-0 | (a21) 0-3 | (h22) 2-0 | (a17) 2-2 | (a 9) 1-1 |
| 4 Bradford C.   | (h10) 1-1 | (a21) 1-1 | (h 9) 2-1 | (a17) 1-1 | (h 7) 4-1 |
| 5 Carlisle      | (a20) 0-3 | (a16) 1-6 | (h 1) 6-4 | (a 2) 0-8 | (h16) 2-0 |
| 6 Chester       | (h21) 4-2 | (h 5) 6-1 | (a22) 2-2 | (h17) 0-0 | (a18) 0-2 |
| 7 Crewe         | (a 1) 1-2 | (h 2) 0-0 | (a16) 0-3 | (h11) 2-2 | (a 4) 1-4 |
| 8 Darlington    | (h13) 0-1 | (a14) 0-3 | (h20) 4-3 | (a 1) 0-3 | (h 2) 0-1 |
| 9 Doncaster     | (a16) 0-0 | (h11) 0-0 | (a15) 6-3 | (a 4) 1-2 | (h 3) 1-1 |
| 10 Gateshead    | (h 6) 3-0 | (a 4) 1-1 | (h13) 2-2 | (a14) 0-1 | (h20) 4-1 |
| 11 Halifax      | (a17) 5-4 | (h18) 1-1 | (a 9) 0-0 | (h19) 1-1 | (a 7) 2-2 |
| 12 Hartlepool   | (h 4) 1-3 | (a13) 1-4 | (h14) 2-1 | (a20) 0-5 | (h 1) 2-1 |
| 13 Hull         | (h12) 4-1 | (a10) 2-2 | (h18) 0-2 | (h21) 1-1 | (a22) 0-1 |
| 14 Lincoln      | (a 5) 3-4 | (h 8) 3-1 | (a18) 0-0 | (h10) 1-0 | (a21) 0-1 |
| 15 New Brighton | (a22) 0-2 | (h17) 3-1 | (a11) 0-0 | (h 9) 3-6 | (a19) 1-1 |
| 16 Oldham       | (a18) 1-3 | (h 9) 0-0 | (a19) 0-0 | (h 7) 3-0 | (a 5) 0-2 |
| 17 Rochdale     | (h13) 4-5 | (a15) 1-3 | (h 3) 2-2 | (a 6) 0-0 | (h 4) 1-1 |
| 18 Rotherham    | (h16) 3-1 | (a11) 1-1 | (h15) 0-0 | (a13) 2-0 | (h 6) 2-0 |
| 19 Southport    | (h 1) 1-0 | (a 2) 1-3 | (h16) 0-0 | (a11) 1-1 | (h15) 1-1 |
| 20 Stockport    | (a 7) 1-2 | (h 5) 3-0 | (a 8) 3-4 | (h12) 5-0 | (a10) 1-4 |
| 21 Wrexham      | (h 3) 3-0 | (a 6) 2-4 | (h 4) 1-1 | (a13) 1-1 | (h14) 1-0 |
| 22 York         | (a12) 2-3 | (h15) 2-0 | (a 3) 0-2 | (h 6) 2-2 | (h13) 1-0 |

## SCOTTISH LEAGUE (FIRST DIVISION)

|                  |           |           |           |           |           |
|------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 1 Aberdeen       | (a18) 0-1 | (h 9) 4-3 | (a 8) 1-1 | (a 8) 0-1 | (h15) 2-1 |
| 2 Albion         | (a10) 2-1 | (a15) 2-1 | (h 8) 5-0 | (a17) 0-5 | (a14) 3-3 |
| 3 Arbroath       | (h11) 4-1 | (h12) 2-0 | (h 7) 1-2 | (a20) 0-3 | (a10) 1-1 |
| 4 Ayr            | (h 8) 1-1 | (a10) 3-2 | (a18) 3-2 | (h 5) 1-4 | (h12) 6-1 |
| 5 Celtic         | (h 6) 3-1 | (h13) 3-1 | (a20) 2-0 | (a 4) 4-1 | (h 7) 1-2 |
| 6 Clyde          | (a 5) 1-3 | (a14) 2-3 | (h 1) 1-1 | (h15) 2-3 | (a16) 2-0 |
| 7 Falkirk        | (h14) 2-1 | (h18) 1-1 | (a 3) 2-1 | (h10) 1-1 | (a 5) 2-1 |
| 8 Hamilton       | (a14) 0-3 | (h16) 1-3 | (a 2) 0-5 | (h 1) 1-0 | (h11) 3-1 |
| 9 Hearts         | (a12) 2-4 | (a 1) 3-4 | (h15) 8-3 | (h14) 1-2 | (a17) 1-1 |
| 10 Hibernian     | (h 2) 1-2 | (h 4) 2-3 | (a18) 1-2 | (a 7) 1-1 | (h 3) 1-1 |
| 11 Kilmarnock    | (a13) 3-4 | (a17) 2-2 | (h14) 1-1 | (a16) 3-2 | (a 3) 1-3 |
| 12 Motherwell    | (h 9) 4-2 | (a 3) 0-2 | (h19) 2-1 | (h18) 4-3 | (a 4) 1-6 |
| 13 Partick       | (h11) 4-3 | (a 5) 1-3 | (h 4) 2-3 | (a12) 3-4 | (a19) 4-1 |
| 14 Queen O'S.    | (h 8) 3-0 | (h 6) 3-2 | (a11) 1-1 | (a 9) 2-1 | (h 2) 3-3 |
| 15 Queen's Park  | (a13) 2-2 | (a 2) 1-2 | (a 9) 3-8 | (a 6) 3-2 | (a 1) 1-2 |
| 16 Raith         | (a19) 2-1 | (a 8) 3-1 | (h17) 0-2 | (h11) 2-3 | (h 6) 0-2 |
| 17 Rangers       | (h20) 2-1 | (h11) 2-2 | (a16) 2-0 | (h 2) 5-0 | (h 9) 1-1 |
| 18 St. Johnstone | (h 1) 1-0 | (a 7) 1-1 | (h10) 2-1 | (h19) 6-2 | (h20) 8-1 |
| 19 St. Mirren    | (h16) 1-2 | (h20) 3-2 | (a12) 1-2 | (a13) 2-6 | (h13) 1-4 |
| 20 Third Lanark  | (h17) 1-2 | (a19) 2-3 | (h 5) 0-3 | (h 8) 3-0 | (h18) 1-3 |

## YESTERDAY'S RUGBY UNION RESULTS

London, To-day.  
Playing away from home, Blackheath yesterday beat Birkenhead Park by 13 points to 9 in their friendly Rugby encounter. Weston-Super-Mare beat Bath by 7 points to 3 in the only other senior friendly played.—Reuter.

## WAH YAN SPORTS

### POSTPONED

Owing to the inclement weather, the annual sports of the Wah Yan College, which were to have taken place yesterday at Caroline Hill, have been postponed to Tuesday, March 28.

## EWO BOWLING LEAGUE

At the Hong Kong Bowling Alleys last night, the Strollers beat the Movies by 139 points in the first round of the second stage of the Ewo League.

| Strollers  |      |     |     |     |
|------------|------|-----|-----|-----|
| E. Churn   | 164  | 138 | 167 | 469 |
| A. Zimmern | 144  | 133 | 146 | 423 |
| E. Zimmern | 151  | 142 | 119 | 412 |
| A. T. Lee  | 121  | 130 | 120 | 371 |
| Total      | 1675 |     |     |     |

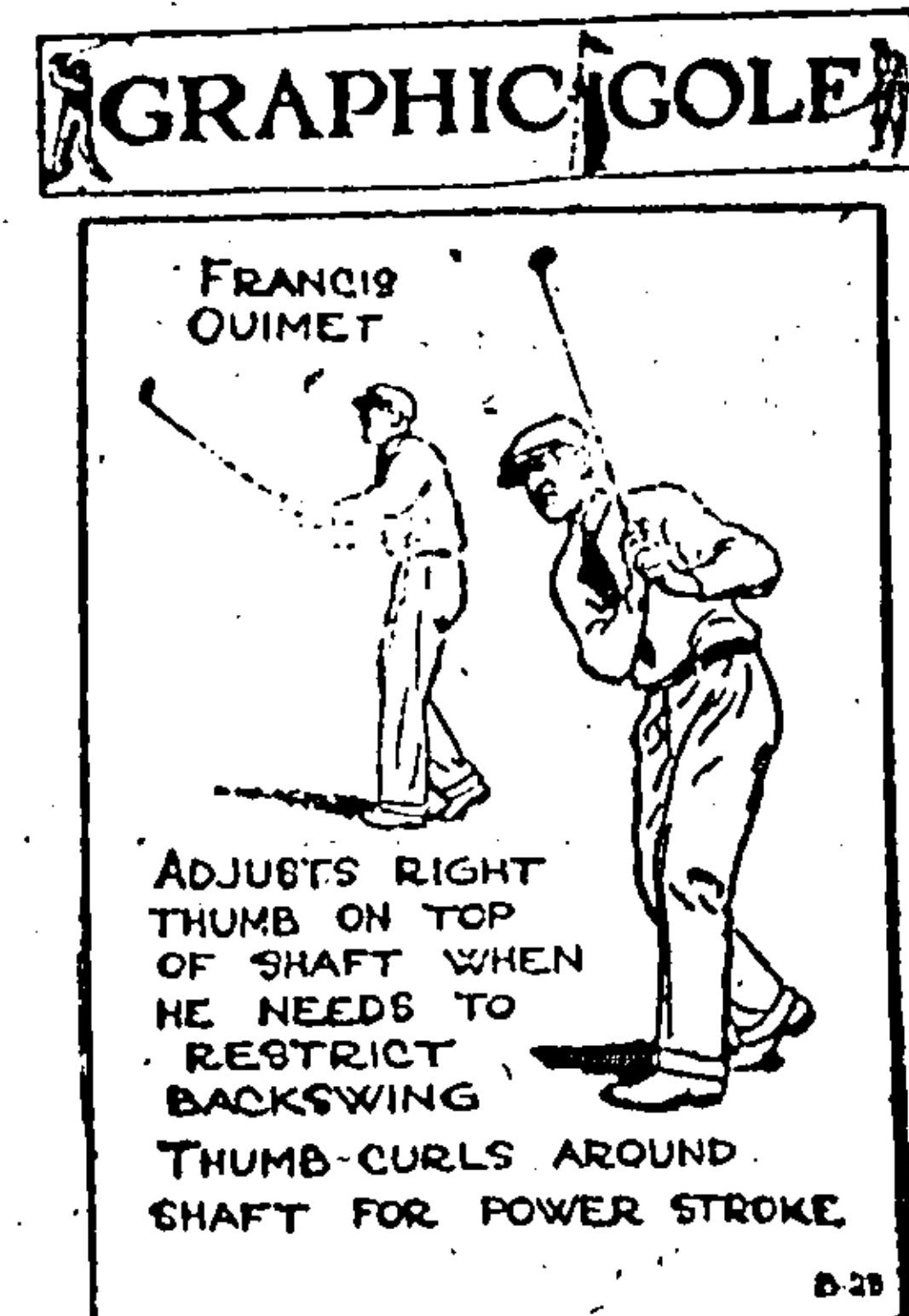
| Movies         |      |     |     |     |
|----------------|------|-----|-----|-----|
| T. A. Madar    | 165  | 188 | 134 | 487 |
| C. S. Rosselet | 130  | 120 | 139 | 389 |
| W. J. Wong     | 138  | 93  | 101 | 332 |
| W. K. Way      | 100  | 130 | 98  | 328 |
| Total          | 1536 |     |     |     |

# Learning From Observation

By BEST BALL

Francis Quimet made United States really golf conscious for the first time when he won the 1913 National Open title, beating two such world famous golfers as Harry Vardon and Ted Ray in the play off. Ever since he was a youngster living next door to the famous Brookline course, Quimet had practiced golf. First it was with home made instruments on a home made course, fashioned from the material at hand. Later he borrowed an occasional club of his brother's, yet whatever implement he was using he continued to apply himself wholeheartedly to the game. He constantly observed the good golfers of his day and it was this same capacity to improve that led him to a unique observation in one of his trips abroad.

Playing with one of the British stars of the day, he noticed the latter was playing short approach shots with uncanny accuracy, using an abbreviated swing in doing so. Quimet himself was inclined to overswing until he noticed the English player was keeping his left thumb straight down the top of the shaft. Francis followed



suit and found it just the tonic he needed for the shorter shots. Using this formula it was impossible for him to overswing and this one tip applied to his game enabled him to win additional titles when he returned home.

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The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from 16th. to 27th. March, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
E. COCK,  
Chief Manager.  
Hong Kong, 1st. March, 1939.

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## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank Building, on THURSDAY, the 13th April, 1939, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1938.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 29th March to 13th April, 1939, both days inclusive.

DODWELL & COMPANY  
LIMITED.  
General Managers.  
Hong Kong, 23rd March, 1939.

## OFFICIAL NOTICE.

PROPOSAL TO CHANGE  
A SHIP'S NAME

I, Henrique da Luz of Hong Kong, hereby give notice that in consequence of change of ownership, I have applied to the Board of Trade, under Section 47 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of the ship, "LEE HONG" of Hong Kong, Official number 159,412 of gross tonnage 1097.29 tons, register tonnage 674.45 tons, heretofore owned by Li Sheng, 22 Pottinger Street, Hong Kong for the permission to change her name to "CHUNGSHAN" and to have her registered in the new name at the Port of Hong Kong as owned by THE HONG KONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

Any objections to the proposed change of name must be sent to the Registrar of Shipping at Hong Kong within seven days from the appearance of this advertisement.

Dated at Hong Kong this 20th day of March, 1939.  
(Signed) H. DA LUZ,  
Secretary.

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Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

## PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

| No. of Sale | Registry No.                     | Locality.                                                                 | Boundary Measurements |     |     |     | Contents in Sq. feet. | Annual Rental | Upset Price. |
|-------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----------------------|---------------|--------------|
|             |                                  |                                                                           | N.                    | S.  | E.  | W.  |                       |               |              |
| 1           | New Kowloon Island Lot No. 2931. | West of New Kowloon Island Lot No. 198, Sau Chuk Yuen Road, Kowloon City. | ft.                   | ft. | ft. | ft. | about                 | \$            | \$           |
|             |                                  |                                                                           | As per sale plan      |     |     |     | 8,300                 | \$            | 4,150        |

## PUBLIC AUCTION

**PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS** of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 27th day of March, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Kowloon Tsai, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years, less the last three days thereof.

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|-------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----------------------|---------------|--------------|
|             |                                  |                                                                         | N.                    | S.  | E.  | W.  |                       |               |              |
|             | New Kowloon Island Lot No. 2931. | Between New Kowloon Island Lot No. 2930 and Lot No. 2932, Kowloon Tsai. | ft.                   | ft. | ft. | ft. | about                 | \$            | \$           |
|             |                                  |                                                                         | As per sale plan      |     |     |     | 14,500                | 108           | 7,250        |

## PUBLIC AUCTION

**PARTICULARS and CONDITIONS** of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 27th day of March, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Cheung Sha Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years, less the last three days thereof.

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|-------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----|-----|-----|--------------------------|---------------|-------------|
|             |                                  |                                                                   | N.                    | S.  | E.  | W.  |                          |               |             |
|             | New Kowloon Island Lot No. 2931. | Junction of Tin Chan Street and Castle Peak Road, Cheung Sha Wan. | ft.                   | ft. | ft. | ft. | about                    | \$            | \$          |
|             |                                  |                                                                   | As per sale plan      |     |     |     | 8,670                    | 120           | 5,352       |

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|             |                                  |                               | N.                    | S.  | E.  | W.  |                       |               |              |
|             | New Kowloon Island Lot No. 2931. | Boundary Street, Shamshui Po. | ft.                   | ft. | ft. | ft. | about                 | \$            | \$           |
|             |                                  |                               | As per sale plan      |     |     |     | 4,470                 | 22            | 1,175        |

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London, To-day.

Mr. Chamberlain last night received a delegation from the National Council of Labour, which had previously passed a resolution urging Britain to take the lead with France and Russia in resisting German aggression.

It is reported that the object of the talks which the Premier is at present conducting with the leaders of the opposition is to sound out opinion on the question of the introduction of compulsory service.

Mr. Chamberlain is believed to be unwilling to take steps in this direction until he is released from his pledge not to introduce conscription in time of peace.

Labour opinion is apparently swerving from opposition to compulsory military service.

Reports from all parts of the country serve to show that public opinion is generally in favour of the immediate introduction of

## FRANCE ALTERS RECRUITING LAW

Paris, To-day.

The French recruiting law, dated March 31st, 1938, according to a notice published in the "Journal Official" has been changed to enable French nationals and foreigners residing in France, who would not become subject to mobilisation, can offer themselves voluntarily for service in time of war.

French nationals and foreigners, hitherto excluded from training service, will now also be able to offer themselves for training in time of peace.

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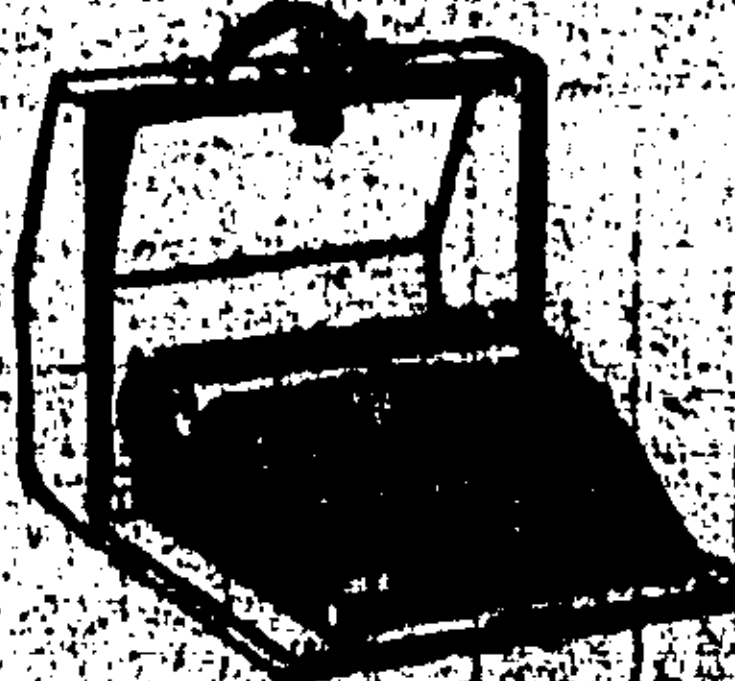
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